

Actividad: **REFLEXIVE PRONOUNS**

OBJETIVOS

- Learn how to use the different types of pronouns, in this case the reflexive ones.

DURACIÓN

55 minutos aproximadamente

EDAD ADECUADA

Actividad orientada para niñ@s a partir de 6 años

MATERIAL

- You can either print this worksheet or do the exercises in another sheet aside

THEORY

PERSONAL PRONOUNS	REFLEXIVE PRONOUNS		EXAMPLES
I	Myself	Me Yo mismo	<i>I did it myself.</i> <i>Lo hice <u>yo mismo</u></i>
You	Yourself	Te, se Ti/Tú mismo	<i>You have cut yourself!</i> <i>¡<u>Te</u> has cortado!</i>
He	Himself	Se Él/ella mismo/a A sí mismo	<i>He's enjoying himself.</i> <i>Se está divirtiéndose</i>
She	Herself		<i>She introduced herself.</i> <i><u>Se</u> presentó</i>
It	Itself		<i>The TV has broken by itself.</i> <i>La televisión <u>se</u> ha estropeado</i>
We	Ourselves	Nos Nosotros/as mismos/as	<i>We make ourselves up.</i> <i><u>Nos</u> maquillamos</i> <i><u>nosotros mismos</u></i>
You	Yourselves	Os , se Vosotros/as mismos/as	<i>You learned the lesson by yourselves.</i> <i>Aprendistéis la lección por <u>vosotros mismos</u></i>
They	Themselves	Se Ellos/as mismos/as	<i>They hurt themselves.</i> <i><u>Se</u> hirieron daño <u>ellos mismos</u></i>

We can use reflexive pronouns with most transitive verbs, but among the **most common** are:

Blame	Enjoy	Hurt	Prepare
Cut	Help	Introduce	Teach

USES

- ❖ To emphasize the subject:

The writer himself gave the presentation of his new book.

El escritor en persona hizo la presentación de su nuevo libro.

I built this kennel myself.

Yo misma construí esta caseta de perro.

- ❖ To indicate that the same person is the one who carries out and receives the action:

They are preparing themselves for the opera.

Ellos se están preparando para la ópera.

Dry yourself quickly, you are completely wet!

¡Sécate enseguida, estás completamente mojado!

- ❖ We use **'by' + reflexive pronoun** to indicate "alone"

She wrote this poem by herself.

Escribió este poema ella sola.

Now I live by myself.

Ahora vivo solo / por mi cuenta.

- ❖ We don't use reflexive pronouns for actions that people usually do for themselves/ If we do it can change the meaning:

She dressed herself.

He washed himself.

~~*Ella se vistió.*~~

~~*Él se lavó.*~~

Ella se vistió sola.

Él se lavó solo.

- ❖ Some of them are used with certain expressions:

Help yourself	Sírvete tú mismo
Make yourself at home	Como si estuvieras en tu casa/ ponte cómodo
Behave yourself!	¡Pórtate bien!
Enjoy yourself!	¡Pásatelo bien!

EXERCISES

I) Translate

1. Primero él se presentó y después...
First _____ introduced _____ and then...
2. ¡Y el director en persona nos dará una charla mañana!
The director _____ is giving us a talk tomorrow!
3. He hecho este blog yo solo.
I have made this blog _____.
4. Ellos se han comprado un barco.
_____ have bought _____ a boat.
5. ¿Os lo habéis pasado bien?
Did you enjoy _____?
6. Pues ve a la cocina y hazte una ensalada.
Then go to the kitchen and make _____ a salad.
7. Yo mismo lo he comprobado antes y había un kilo.
_____ checked it _____ before and there was one kilogram.
8. ¿Cómo se cortó ella?
How did _____ cut _____?
9. De pronto la puerta se cerró sola.
Suddenly the _____ closed by _____.
10. Hemos inventado este robot inteligente nosotros solos.
_____ have invented this intelligent robot by _____.
11. Se transforma en diferentes cosas.
_____ transforms _____ into different things.
12. Veo que puedes cuidarte sólo perfectamente bien.
I see that you can look after _____ perfectly well.
13. No puedo traducir este artículo yo sólo.
I can't translate this article _____.
14. Después de la operación ella no pudo reconocerse.
After the operation _____ couldn't recognize _____.
15. Él se hizo daño en el gimnasio.
_____ hurt _____ at the gym.
16. Deberíamos protegernos de los mosquitos.
_____ should protect _____ from the mosquitoes.

2) Choose the right answer

1. They can help _____.
a) themselves b) theyself c) themselves d) themself
2. You (singular) can do it _____.
a) yourself b) youself c) youselve d) yourselve
3. You (plural) can do it _____.
a) yourself b) yourselves c) youselves d) yourself
4. He cleaned the kitchen _____.
a) heself b) hiself c) himself d) hissself
5. I did my homework all by _____.
a) meself b) mineself c) self d) myself
6. We made the cake all by _____.
a) usself b) ourself c) ourselves d) usselves
7. Did she paint the rooms _____.
a) sheself b) self c) herself d) herself
8. That dog just bit _____.
a) itself b) itsselves c) heself d) sheself

3) Complete the sentences

1. Kim kissed Tom. Tom kissed Kim.
They kissed _____
2. He did his homework _____.
3. We can make dinner _____.
4. The dog just hurt _____ on that rock.
5. She taught _____ to play the piano.

SOLUTIONS

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