

Pronoun Case

Subject

I
you
he
she
it
we
they
who

Object

me
you
him
her
it
us
them
whom

Possessive

my/mine
your/yours
his
her/hers
its
our/ours
their/theirs
whose

Notice the pronouns in the following sentences.

1. After the poetry reading, his wife and (he / him) went to The Earle for coffee and dessert.

He is the correct pronoun because it functions as a subject: he went.

2. The agent handed over the contracts to Christina and (I / me).

Me is the correct pronoun because it functions as an object: *handed over the contracts to me.*

3. (Us / We) teachers and students at WCC should demand free lunches.

We is the correct pronoun because it functions as a subject: We should demand.

4. Diana Hacker is a better grammarian than (I / me).

I is the correct pronoun because it functions as a subject: *better grammarian than I (am).*

5. Lars wasn't sure (who / whom) would ask him to the Sweethearts Dance.

Who is the correct pronoun because it functions as a subject: he/she would ask him.

6. Carmen wasn't sure (who / whom) she would ask to the Sweethearts Dance.

Whom is the correct pronoun because it functions as an object: him/her she would ask.

7. The dog chasing (its/it's) tail is (yours/your's).

Its is the correct pronoun because it is possessive: *the tail belonging to the it.*

Yours is the correct pronoun because it is possessive: *the dog belonging to you.*