

Reflexive Pronouns Worksheet

Myself, yourself, himself, herself, themselves - when you do it to you.

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Myself and yourself around 4

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A reflexive pronoun is what English uses when the doer and the receiver are the same person: she dressed herself, I hurt myself. They also do a second job, adding emphasis - "I did it myself" - which is the same word doing something quite different, and worth separating in practice.

What to expect: The predictable errors are "hissself" and "theirselves", and both are perfectly logical: the child has spotted that myself and yourself are built from the possessive (my + self, your + self) and applied that rule to he and they. English switches to the object form partway through the set, for no good reason.

Doing It to Yourself

Fill in the blank with the right reflexive pronoun.

1. My brother got dressed all by ____.
2. My sister tied her shoes by ____.
3. I poured the milk by ____.
4. The twins buckled ____ in.
5. You can do this by ____.
6. The cat washed ____ in the sun.
7. We made breakfast by ____.
8. Dad cut ____ shaving.
9. My friend taught ____ to whistle.
10. The kids helped ____ to seconds.

Saying It for Emphasis

Here the reflexive word means "with no help". Fill in the blank.

11. Nobody helped me. I built it ____.
12. She did not ask for help. She read it ____.
13. He carried the whole box ____.
14. You should be proud - you finished it ____.
15. We cleaned the whole room ____.
16. They packed the car ____.

Fix the Word

Each sentence has one wrong reflexive word. Say it the right way.

17. He tied his shoes by himself.
18. They made lunch by themselves.
19. She drew it by herself.
20. I did it by myself.
21. He fed the dog by himself.

Answer Key

Doing It to Yourself

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| 1. himself | 6. itself |
| 2. herself | 7. ourselves |
| 3. myself | 8. himself |
| 4. themselves | 9. herself |
| 5. yourself | 10. themselves |

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