

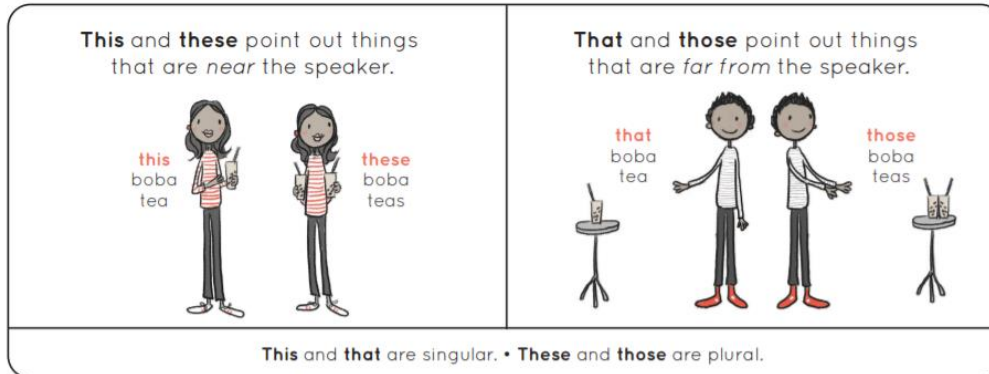
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## **Demonstrative Pronouns and Adjectives – This, That, These, Those**

Have a look at the web site: [https://www.grammar.cl/Notes/This\\_That\\_These\\_Those.htm](https://www.grammar.cl/Notes/This_That_These_Those.htm)

And watch the video as well for a brief overview about how the pronouns, **this, that, these, and those** work, both as demonstrative pronouns and as demonstrative adjectives.

**Demonstrative pronouns** point out a person, place, thing, or idea.



**This, That, These, Those** are called **demonstratives** and they are used to show the relative distance between the speaker and the noun.

## **Demonstrative Pronouns**

We use **this** (singular) and **these** (plural) to refer to something that is **here / near**.

**Examples:**

- **This** is my car. (singular)
- **These** are our children. (plural)

We use **that** (singular) and **those** (plural) to refer to something that is **there / far**.

**Examples:**

- **That** is our house. (singular)
- **Those** are my shoes. (plural)

Note that the verb changes (i.e. singular / plural) depending on the pronoun that you use.

You can also use Demonstrative Pronouns by themselves:

- Did you do **that**?
- I'd like to buy **these**?
- Which of **those** would you like?

## **Demonstrative Adjectives**

You can also use demonstratives before a **noun**. These are called demonstrative adjectives.

The Demonstrative Adjective needs to agree (= be the same form) as the **noun**.

**Examples of demonstrative adjectives:**

- **This party** is boring. (singular)
- **That city** is busy. (singular)
- **These chocolates** are delicious. (plural)
- **Those flowers** are beautiful. (plural)

# Summary - What is the difference between Demonstrative Adjectives and Demonstrative Pronouns?

Demonstrative Adjectives and Demonstrative Pronouns use the same words. The easiest way to know that difference is that **Demonstrative Adjectives are always before a noun** while Demonstrative Pronouns are before a verb or by themselves.

- **This book** is old. (Demonstrative **Adjective** + Noun)
- **This** is new. (Demonstrative Pronoun + Verb)
- Did you like **that**? (Demonstrative Pronoun by itself)

Here's a poster which helps to remind you how they are used:

**This - That - These - Those**  
Demonstratives

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here	this	these
there	that	those

**Demonstrative Pronouns**

- singular: **This** is a red pen.
- plural: **These** are blue pens.

**Demonstrative Pronoun + Verb\***  
\* or by itself. - e.g. Do you want **this**?

**Demonstrative Adjectives**

- singular: **This** pen is red.
- plural: **These** pens are blue.

**Demonstrative Adjective + Noun**

- this book** (here / close)
- that book** (there / not close)
- these books** (here / close)
- those books** (there / not close)

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## TASKS

A) **A. Directions:** Match the word on the left with its correct definition on the right.

this	→	People, places, or things at a distance.
these	→	People, places, or things close by.
that	→	A person, place, or thing close by.
those	→	A person, place, or thing at a distance.

e.g. **this** = a person ....

B) Write the correct word only – you do not need to write the whole sentence

B. Directions: Complete each sentence with one of the following demonstrative pronouns: **this, that, these, those**.

1. Do you see that bird over there?
2. This newspaper I'm holding has today's news.
3. Place the vase on that table in the corner.
4. Maru wants these/those lamps displayed on the top shelf.
5. This is the best movie I've ever seen.
6. These shoes are hurting my feet.
7. Could you toss me one of those pillows?
8. How much is that jacket hanging on the far rack?
9. Jamal thinks those peaches in my basket have gone bad.
10. Those children across the street are jumping rope.

C) Write 2 or 3 sentences about 2/3 different objects or people (you can draw them if you would like or use some of the images below) using demonstrative pronouns and demonstrative adjectives. I would like you to **highlight** the **demonstratives** and underline any other pronouns that you use.

Here's an example:



**This** is a creeper mob. It is an extremely hostile creature. Creepers are immune to burning in sunlight so continue to search for players in the daylight. They also have the ability to climb up ladders and vines. When they're within 3 blocks of a player, creepers will hiss and flash before exploding. **These** are nasty mobs!

