

# Pronouns

A pronoun is a word that replaces a noun. The noun it replaces is called the antecedent.

## Example

*Without Pronouns:*

Tony woke up and thought that Tony would vary Tony's routine and ride Tony's bike to school.

*With Pronouns:*

Tony woke up and thought that he would vary his routine and ride his bike to school.

## Directions

Underline all of the pronouns in the following selection. Then DRAW AN ARROW to the antecedent (the word the pronoun substitutes for). The first few have been done for you. (Note: Indefinite pronouns such as *everything* or *anybody* do not have specific antecedents.)

1 Last week Mitch turned 17. After getting permission from his parents,

2 Mitch bought his first car. It was a lime green, 1975 Volkswagen Super

3 Beetle. When he brought it home, his parents were a bit surprised.

4 "I thought you were going to buy a truck," said his father.

5 "Well, this was cheaper, and I love the color," replied Mitch.

6 Mitch's father had owned a Beetle when Mitch was a baby, so they

7 decided to fix it up together. They gave it a good tune-up. Then they

8 checked its seat belts to make sure they were working properly.

9 "What should we do next?" asked Mitch.

10 "Since everything is fixed inside, we should wash the outside," said Dad.

11 So the Beetle, as dirty as city snow in March, was cleaned and polished

12 to a glowing green. With the roads clean and dry on an August day, Mitch

13 took his car for its first official spin. He went to the store to get milk for