Pronoun Agreement Worksheet

Professional Communications OER: Writing

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# Introduction

Circle the correct answer for each multiple-choice question.

# Exercise

1. Not only my sister but also my dad loves to drench **their** fries in ketchup.

a. his

b. No change is necessary

c. her

d. his and her

2. The children and their camp leader sweated in the hot sun. All of them wondered why **she** had decided to go outside today.

a. No change is necessary

b. Every

c. his or her

d. they

3. James and Joanna concentrated on the Operation game board. They used tweezers to look for the heart.

a. He

b. No change is necessary

c. He or she

d. She

4. My friends and I have decided to go to the Beach Hut Bar, where we can order the daily special. **Its** burgers will fill us up, and **its** cheap prices will help our student budgets!

a. he or she

b. their

c. his

d. No change is necessary

5. Either of these magazines will have the giveaway coupons inside **their** front covers.

a. its

b. his or her

c. his

d. No change is necessary

6. If people bought used cars from this dealership, they might get stung by unexpected problems that blow **his or her** budget.

a. he or she

b. his or her

c. their

d. people

7. Our city’s hockey team has strange colours. **Their** hot pink and bright orange combination gives me a bit of a headache.

a. Its

b. His

c. His and her

d. No change is necessary

8. My mom and sister have just sat down to dinner. Despite our dog’s drooling, neither of them will part with **her** chicken.

a. his or hers

b. No change is necessary

c. their

9. James refuses to return to that nightclub, because **its** staff always makes fun of his glasses.

a. his

b. her

c. their

d. No change is necessary

10. The girls in the choir should memorize a song for the Christmas concert because **their** parents have all bought tickets.

a. his or hers

b. him or her

c. No change is necessary

d. he or she

11. We decided to go to the movies, since **it says on the poster** that the new superhero movie is playing tonight.

a. the poster says

b. it states on the poster

c. No change is necessary

d. they say on the poster

12. Sarah told Angela that **she** had migraines because of the high stress level in her job. An aspirin would help the migraines a little, but time off would relieve the stress.

a. No change is necessary

b. Angela

c. it

d. they

13. My mother is unhappy with the unhealthy food at my school. **They are serving** more fried foods and fewer fruits and vegetables.

a. It is

b. They prepare

c. No change is necessary

d. The chefs are serving

14. **Neighbours** say the old house on Mayfair Street is haunted, but Caroline doesn't believe the stories. She is a physics major who has no use for ghosts.

a. No change is necessary

b. It

c. Them

d. They

15. Paul called us over and pointed at the noticeboard. **It claimed on the sign** that our gym is closing down.

a. No change is necessary

b. The sign claimed

c. They claimed

d. It claims

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# Answer Key

1. a) his
2. d) they
3. b) No change is necessary
4. d) No change is necessary
5. a) its
6. c) their
7. a) its
8. b) No change is necessary
9. d) No change is necessary
10. c) No change is necessary
11. a) the poster says
12. b) Angela
13. d) the chefs are serving
14. a) No change is necessary
15. b) The sign claimed