

DEVELOPMENTAL ORDER OF PRONOUNS



Pronouns are words that can take the place of nouns in a sentence. Children start using pronouns in their second year of life and it is expected that they use certain types of pronouns by certain age ranges.

PRONOUN TYPE	AGE (in years; months)	EXAMPLE
Subjective		
I	1;6 – 2;6	<i>I</i> am thirsty
You (singular)	2;0 – 2;6	<i>You</i> push me
He	2;6 – 3;0	I think <i>he</i> is fun
She	2;6 – 3;0	<i>She</i> is big
It	1;0 – 1;6	<i>It</i> fell down
We	3;0 – 3;6	No, <i>we</i> need a turn
You (plural)	3;0 – 4;0	<i>You</i> are silly
They	3;0 – 4;0	I guess <i>they</i> don't want to
Objective		
Me	2;0 – 2;6	Mommy helps <i>me</i>
You (singular)	2;0 – 3;0	A cookie for <i>you</i>
Him	2;6 – 4;0	Give it to <i>him</i>
Her	2;6 – 4;6	Tommy picked <i>her</i> up
It	1;0 – 1;6	Daddy washed <i>it</i>
Us	2;6 – 4;0	This book is not for <i>us</i>
You (plural)	2;6 – 4;0	I see <i>you</i> outside
Them	2;6 – 3;6	Tigers don't like <i>them</i>
Possessive		
My	1;6 – 2;6	<i>My</i> teddy
Your	2;0 – 3;0	I want <i>your</i> candy
His	2;6 – 4;0	There are <i>his</i> socks
Her	3;0 – 4;6	I see <i>her</i> foot
Its	3;0 – 5;0	I touched <i>its</i> nose
Our	3;0 – 5;0	This is <i>our</i> room

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