Pronoun Case – Exercise 3: He, Him, His, and Himself

Directions: Fill in the blanks with the appropriate choices—*he, him, his*, or *himself*. Check your answers with the interactive version of the exercise.

1. Don’t bother offering to help Dwayne with that heavy branch. He insists on dragging it to the road ________.
   
   A. himself
   B. hisself
   C. his self

2. Marcus can’t wait two hours for a sugar fix, so we assume that the candy wrapper on the classroom floor is ________.
   
   A. his
   B. his’
   C. his’s

3. Brianna shot Nate a dirty look across the restaurant table. She found ________ slurping the squid eyeball stew rude and embarrassing.
   
   A. him
   B. his
4. Emilio loves American football. At the dinner table, _______ argue whether football or soccer requires more skill.
   A. he and his father
   B. his father and him
   C. his father and himself

5. Jacob is a computer geek too! Ask either Stephanie or _______ to help us bypass this security software.
   A. he
   B. him
   C. himself

6. The driver in front slammed on his brakes for no reason and sat in the middle of the road. Jasmine waved an angry fist at his passenger and _______ as she drove around.
   A. he
   B. him
   C. himself

7. Sergei is so tall that you don’t want to sit behind Lori and _______ at the movies. You’ll be craning to see the screen the entire film!
   A. he
   B. him
   C. himself

8. Ruth’s brother has muscles bursting out of his shirt sleeves. Ask _______ and his friend if they will help us load this sofa onto the truck.
   A. he
   B. him
   C. himself
9. If you buy a mocha latte at the café, order it from Mark. It is _______ who will spray an avalanche of whipped cream onto the finished drink.

A. he  
B. him  
C. himself

10. Tyrone is a terrible housekeeper, so that heap of sweaty gym clothes is probably _______.

A. his  
B. his’  
C. his’s

11. As Madison waited for the veterinarian, she hugged Jack, her new puppy. _______ squirming covered her white sweater in black hair.

A. him  
B. his

12. David is always well prepared for a quiz. Either _______ or Melissa, another excellent student, will have a #2 pencil that you can borrow.

A. he  
B. him  
C. himself

13. With both feet planted on the floor, Wesley could still reach the lightbulb in the kitchen ceiling. I wish I were as tall as _______!

A. he  
B. him
14. We offered to help Gregory frost the six dozen cupcakes. Even though he was behind schedule, he insisted on finishing the work ______.

A. himself  
B. hisself  
C. his self

15. Cameron has a problem with punctuality. Neither ______ nor his roommate Jeb remember to get the rent check to the landlord on the first of the month.

A. he  
B. him  
C. himself

16. Kelvin has so much hair that he must buy a new bottle of shampoo every week. I wouldn't want to have as much hair as ______.

A. he  
B. him

17. Jessica hated her upstairs neighbor. ______ stomping in the apartment above at 3 a.m. made uninterrupted sleep impossible.

A. him  
B. his

18. That man over there was lurking near the coat rack. It might have been ______ who stole the bag of pretzels from your jacket pocket!

A. he  
B. him  
C. himself
19. If you want to find the missing issue to your *Swamp Thing* collection, ask Frank for help. ______ are masters of online auctions and will get you the best price.

A. He and his brother
B. His brother and him
C. His brother and himself

20. See that young man with the ponytail? Give this glass of lemonade to ______. He volunteered to help us carry heavy boxes up three flights of stairs to our new apartment.

A. he
B. him
C. himself