

Pronoun Reference – Exercise 4

This handout accompanies Exercise 4 of *Grammar Bytes!* Get the answers by doing the interactive version of the exercise at this address: <http://chompchomp.com/exercises.htm>

Directions: In the blank on the left, fix the underlined error. If no error exists, write CORRECT in the blank.

- _____ 1. Dr. Skinner, our psychology instructor, explained that Tweety, which is a Looney Tunes cartoon character, has passive-aggressive tendencies.
- _____ 2. I hate driving my brother's truck because it always breaks down when you are in the middle of a busy intersection.
- _____ 3. To save money, the manager told Jimmy, his employee, that he needed to use more of the cheap lettuce and less of the expensive taco beef.
- _____ 4. The dog's nose sniffed the floor as it searched for crumbs under the dining room table.
- _____ 5. My lawn service company owes me \$50 because he destroyed my collection of plastic flamingoes with a high-powered mower.
- _____ 6. While Ben was picking brown lettuce out of his beef burrito, a cockroach crawled from underneath the shredded cheese. This really distressed poor Ben.
- _____ 7. It says in this supermarket tabloid that extraterrestrials have kidnapped the President's brain.
- _____ 8. The car passengers were blasting music and throwing recyclable aluminum soda cans out the windows. It really upset Erin, who drove behind them.
- _____ 9. Gladys' long hair stuck to the mashed potatoes with gravy as she sat on the windy patio of the campus cafeteria.
- _____ 10. Betty prefers eyeglasses to contact lenses because she doesn't have to worry about bugs bouncing off her corneas.
- _____ 11. While fishing, we saw explosions of bubbles on the surface of the waves. They say that over 100 boats have vanished in this area of the Bermuda Triangle.

- _____ 12. Coach's bald head was so shiny that he inadvertently blinded his own quarterback during the last seconds of the close game.
- _____ 13. Cisco loves the mythological stories from ancient Egypt, so he plans to study **even more of it** during summer break.
- _____ 14. Stephanie insists on running before the sun sets, for **she never knows** what kind of nutcase will be prowling the streets after dark.
- _____ 15. At the mall, Eboni and Andrea browsed for two hours before **she** finally decided to buy Samuel a new leather jacket for his birthday.
- _____ 16. Lincoln refuses to own a white car because one hour after **you wash** it, the paint is powdered with gray dust.
- _____ 17. The sun-blistered paint and clouds of black exhaust attest to Diane's poor care of **it**.
- _____ 18. During her speech, Lucy spoke with heart-felt conviction about animal cruelty. She loves **them** very much and hates to see a single one hurt or in pain.
- _____ 19. Clarence always brings a tape recorder to class because **you never know** when Dr. Wilson will drop an important clue about the next chemistry test.
- _____ 20. Jennifer explained to Samantha that **she** needed to comb her wild hair before her interviews with the recruiters began on campus later that afternoon.



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