

# PRONOUN AGREEMENT

**Directions:** Choose the option that corrects an error in the underlined portion(s). If no error exists, choose “No change is necessary.”

1. Not only my brothers but also Mom loves to drench their omelets in ketchup.
  - A. his
  - B. her
  - C. his and her
  - D. No change is necessary.
2. The students and <sup>(A)</sup> their professor sweated in the hot classroom. <sup>(B)</sup> Each one of them wondered why <sup>(C)</sup> they had decided to commit to summer school.
  - A. his or her
  - B. Every
  - C. she
  - D. No change is necessary.
3. Robert and Sue Ellen concentrated on the dead worm on the dissection tray. They used tweezers to pick through innards looking for the heart.
  - A. He
  - B. She
  - C. He or she
  - D. No change is necessary.

4. The students have decided to eat at Tito's Taco Palace, where <sup>(A)</sup> **they** can order the special. <sup>(B)</sup> **Their** discount burrito and soda will satisfy hunger, and <sup>(C)</sup> **its** cheap prices will help wallets!
- A. he or she  
B. Its  
C. their  
D. No change is necessary.
5. Either of these thick books by respected authors will have the answer to your research question in **their** many pages.
- A. his  
B. his or her  
C. its  
D. No change is necessary.
6. If <sup>(A)</sup> **everyone** stopped to smell the roses, <sup>(B)</sup> **they** might get stung by bees and have <sup>(C)</sup> **their** allergies kick in to overdrive!
- A. people  
B. he or she  
C. his or her  
D. No change is necessary.
7. Weaver Hill High has strange school colors. **Their** hot pink and bright yellow combination really stands out on the field.
- A. Its  
B. His  
C. His and her  
D. No change is necessary.

8. Sam is starving, and his buddies have just ordered <sup>(A)</sup> **their** “upsized” meals. Despite Sam’s drooling, neither of <sup>(B)</sup> **them** will part with <sup>(C)</sup> **their** French fries.
- A. his  
B. him  
C. his  
D. No change is necessary.
9. Clyde refuses to return to the weight room because **its** staff always pokes fun of his skinny arms and legs.
- A. their  
B. his  
C. her  
D. No change is necessary.
10. <sup>(A)</sup> **Everyone** should memorize a Shakespeare monologue for Mrs. Smith because the extra credit points will help <sup>(B)</sup> **them** improve <sup>(C)</sup> **their** averages at the end of the semester.
- A. The students  
B. him or her  
C. his or her  
D. No change is necessary.

