

HOW TO USE PRONOUNS: “that” / “the one” – “those” / “the ones”

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Note 1: Pronouns are used in place of previously mentioned nouns to avoid repetition.

Note 2: When we are talking about something/someone in general, we don't use “**the**” before “one” or “ones”, but when we are talking about a specific person or object, we use “**the**” before “one” or “ones”.

1- “that” / “the one” : They refer to a singular person or object.

e.g. The food in my country is different from the food in the United States.
The food in my country is different from **that** in the United States.

e.g. The time in New York City differs six hours from **that** in Istanbul.
e.g. The economic system of Turkey is different from **that** of Northern Korea.
e.g. The English that is spoken in Canada is similar to **that** in the United States.

e.g. The English that is spoken in Canada is different from **the one** in England.
e.g. Look at the two boys over there! Ali is **the tall one** and Burak is **the short one**.
e.g. Which is her present, **the red one** or **the blue one**?
e.g. See those cars? **The one** next to the tree is mine.

e.g. I plan to visit a European country this summer. Which **one** do you recommend?
(*One* refers to any European country.)

2- “those” / “the ones” : They refer to more than one person or object.

e.g. The classes in my country are different from the classes in the United States.
The classes in my country are different from **those** in the United States.
e.g. Shoes made of plastics are not as comfortable as **those** made of leather.

e.g. The students in this class have to work harder than **the ones** in Mr. Lee's class.
e.g. I want to look at the photographs, especially **the ones** you took in Alacahöyük.

e.g. Our kid's trousers are torn. We need to buy him new **ones**.
(*Ones* refers to any pair of trousers.)
e.g. There are a number of books here. Which **ones** are yours?

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