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A **pronoun** is a word that substitutes for a noun or nouns.

A **demonstrative pronoun** in English is a word that replaces a previously mentioned noun.

Example:

Here are two books. **This one** is in English and **that one** is in Spanish.

In English we use four demonstrative pronouns,

this (one), these

that (one), those

In English the words change according to their number, just like in Spanish.

In Spanish they also change for the gender.

Spanish demonstrative pronouns:

	Sing. Masc.	Sing. Fem.	Plur. Masc.	Plur. Fem.
Items near the speaker	éste	ésta	éstos	éstas
Things near the person				
Spoken to	ése	ésa	esos	esas
Things away from speaker				
And person spoken to	aquéel	aquélla	aquéellos	aquéllas

Adjectives are words that go with nouns to modify or make them more specific.

Demonstrative adjectives in English are used with a noun to point out a specific person or thing.

Example:

This book is in English and **that** book is in Spanish.

Spanish demonstrative adjectives:

	Sing. Masc.	Sing. Fem.	Plur. Masc.	Plur. Fem.
Items near the speaker	este	esta	estos	estas
Things near the person				
Spoken to	ese	esa	esos	esas
Things away from speaker				
And person spoken to	aquel	aquella	aquellos	aquellas



Demonstrative Pronouns

Lesson 17 Activity Sheet A

nombre _____



Study the chart below to know when to use which demonstrative pronoun.

	singular masculine	singular feminine	plural masculine	plural feminine
items near the speaker (this)	éste	ésta	éstos	éstas
things near the person spoken to (that)	ése	ésa	esos	esas
things away from the speaker and person spoken to (that over there)	aqué	aquélla	aquéll	aquéllas

Directions: Translate the demonstrative pronouns in parentheses in Spanish.

Ejemplo: Estos edificios son bajos; aquéll son altos.
(those over there)

1. Aquí hay dos corbatas; _____ es roja; _____ es blanca.
(this one) (that one)

2. Estas mujeres hablan español; _____ hablan francés.
(those)

3. _____ son libros muy interesantes.
(Those)

4. La lección de matemáticas es fácil;
_____ es difícil.
(this one)

5. Leo estas revistas; _____ no leo.
(those)

6. ¿Qué es _____ que está sobre la mesa?
(that)
_____ es un cuaderno.
(This)

7. Estas casas son feas; _____ son más bonitas.
(those over there)

vocabulary

edificio = building

corbata = tie

lección = lecture

fácil = easy

difícil = difficult

revista = magazine

feo = ugly

bonito = pretty



Study the chart below to know when to use which demonstrative adjective.

	singular masculine	singular feminine	plural masculine	plural feminine
items near the speaker (this)	este	esta	estos	estas
things near the person spoken to (that)	ese	esa	esos	esas
things away from the speaker and person spoken to (that over there)	aquel	aquella	aquellos	aquellas

Directions: Translate the demonstrative adjectives in parentheses in Spanish.

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| 1. _____ hombre
(this) | 11. _____ mujeres
(those) |
| 2. _____ casa
(that over there) | 12. _____ ejercicios
(these) |
| 3. _____ oficinas
(these) | 13. _____ alumnas
(those over there) |
| 4. _____ señora
(that) | 14. _____ noche
(this) |
| 5. _____ libros
(those) | 15. _____ plumas
(these) |
| 6. _____ escuela
(this) | 16. _____ señores
(these) |
| 7. _____ profesor
(that over there) | 17. _____ escuela
(that) |
| 8. _____ días (check noun gender)
(those) | 18. _____ alumno
(this) |
| 9. _____ clase
(this) | 19. _____ papel
(this) |
| 10. _____ muchacho
(this) | 20. _____ señoras
(those) |