



**This**  
**That**  
**Those**  
**These**



# This, That, Those, These



This, that, those and these are demonstrative determiners because they say which nouns we are talking about.

Singular or Plural.

This and that is used with single nouns, and these and those are used with plural nouns.

- Those apples look nice.
- This book is very interesting.
- Those flowers in the vase are pretty.

This and these are used to refer to things close to the speaker. That and those are used to talk about things further away from the speaker.

- These shoes are new. Do you like them?
- These books are from the library.
- Those mountains in the distance are beautiful.
- Who are those people over there?

Without Nouns?

We can also use this/that/those/these without nouns

- Is this your jacket?
- That looks like my sister.
- Which shoes do you prefer? These or those?
- What is that all over the carpet?



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People or things:

We can use this /that/these/those as determiners with nouns that refer to either people or things.

- this child.
- that park.
- those children.

When they are used without a noun, this/that/those/these only refer to things.

Look at this!

Drop that. It's poisonous.

Whose is this?

Time:

This/these can refer to situations and events that are going on or just about to start.

- This is going to be a great party.
- Watch this. It's really funny.
- I love this music. Who is it?

Those and that can refer to situations that have just finished or are further in the past.

- That's it for the day. Let's pack up.
- ...and that's the end of the story.
- Do you need anything else? No that's it for today.
- That was a happy time.



# This, That, Those, These Worksheet

**Fill the gaps with either this/that/those/or these.**

1. Could you pass me \_\_\_\_\_ book over there?
2. \_\_\_\_\_ shoes are really comfortable.
3. Do you like \_\_\_\_\_ flowers over there?
4. \_\_\_\_\_ apple in my hand is delicious.
5. I can't believe \_\_\_\_\_ day is finally here.
6. \_\_\_\_\_ are my favourite cookies.
7. \_\_\_\_\_ people over there are my neighbours.
8. I think \_\_\_\_\_ is the best solution.
9. Is \_\_\_\_\_ your car parked outside?
10. \_\_\_\_\_ building here is the tallest in the city.
11. \_\_\_\_\_ was a great party last night.
12. \_\_\_\_\_ are the days we will never forget.
13. \_\_\_\_\_ was a memorable event.
14. \_\_\_\_\_ are the books I was telling you about.
15. Is \_\_\_\_\_ your dog over there?
16. \_\_\_\_\_ was a fantastic performance by the band.
17. \_\_\_\_\_ flowers are a gift from my neighbour.
18. \_\_\_\_\_ pen doesn't work. Do you have a spare?
19. What's \_\_\_\_\_ smell?
20. \_\_\_\_\_ dress you're wearing looks stunning.



# This, That, Those, These Answers

Fill the gaps with either **this/that/those/or these**.

1. Could you pass me **that** book over there?
2. **These** shoes are really comfortable.
3. Do you like **those** flowers over there?
4. **This** apple in my hand is delicious.
5. I can't believe **this** day is finally here.
6. **These** are my favourite cookies.
7. **Those** people over there are my neighbours.
8. I think **that** is the best solution.
9. Is **that** your car parked outside?
10. **This** building here is the tallest in the city.
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15. Is **that** your dog over there?
16. **That** was a fantastic performance by the band.
17. **These** flowers are a gift from my neighbour.
18. **This** pen doesn't work. Do you have a spare?
19. What's **that** smell?
20. **That** dress you're wearing looks stunning.
21. **That's** it. Let's go home

