

THE PRONOUN AS OBJECT (I)

The objective pronoun form is used as the direct or indirect object. The problem of which pronoun form to use as object of the verb arises chiefly when the object is compound.

To decide which pronoun to use with a compound object, try each part of the object by itself with the verb.

Direct Object My question irritated Mr. Jones and (he, him).
(irritated Mr. Jones, irritated he, irritated him)

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Indirect Object Ask Betsy and (I, me) your question.
(ask Betsy, ask I, ask me)

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Choosing the Correct Pronoun. Underline the correct pronoun.

Example: Tell Jane and (I, me) your birthdate.

1. Please tell Jim and (I, me) if you will be late for the meeting.
2. Ask Don and (she, her) all your questions.
3. Give your brother and (I, me) an honest answer.
4. The mayor presented the senator and (he, him) keys to the city.
5. Don't tell Jim and (I, me) that we're too late!
6. Mrs. Barnes invited the Browns and (we, us) to her party.
7. Mr. Riley, irritated by our loud music, gave Joe and (I, me) a piece of his mind.
8. Tell Ann and (she, her) what you want them to do.
9. The honors list included Jane and (he, him).
10. At least offer (he, him) and (I, me) some consolation.
11. Long hours of hiking had tired both Tom and (he, him).
12. Consider the Clarks and (we, us) in your proposal.
13. Will you recommend (he, him) and (I, me) for the jobs?
14. Please play Nancy and (I, me) something on your guitar.
15. We gave Pat and (she, her) some cassettes for Christmas.
16. You'd better consult the Smiths and (they, them) before you start.
17. Mr. Olson's plan included John and (I, me).
18. Ask John and (she, her) if they can come with us.
19. Don't give Don and (I, me) any more dessert.
20. Please tell Peter and Eric and (he, him) that joke again.

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