2.15 Indefinite Pronouns

Indefinite pronouns do **not** refer to a **specific** person, place, or thing.

Some common singular indefinite pronouns are anybody, anyone, anything, each, either, everybody, everyone, everything, neither, nobody, no one, nothing, one, someone, and something.

Has anyone washed the dishes?

Do you want anything on your pizza?

Everyone helped to raise the flag.

I packed everything in the suitcase.

Neither came to the play.

Nobody is answering the telephone.

We saw **nothing** through the telescope.

Someone left a sweater on the chair.

Some common plural indefinite pronouns are both, few, many, and several.

Both ran down the street.

Few answered the question incorrectly.

Many like the new recipe.

Several were missing.

7.14 Homonyms

Homonyms are words that **sound** the **same** but have **different meanings** and **spellings**.

Thomas will be our **guest** for dinner.

Mario **guessed** the correct answer.

The words **guest** and **guessed** are **homonyms**.

Although they **sound** the **same**, they have **different meanings** and **spellings**.

More examples:

write / right flour / flower

air / heir rode / road

pail / pale throne / thrown

hour / our sighed / side

buy / by horse / hoarse

ant / aunt flea / flee

tail / tale hear / here

it's / its whose / who's

you're / your some / sum

peace / piece weather / whether

bore / boar hare / hair

seen / scene sun / son

been / bin blue / blew

break / brake not / knot

dear / deer close / clothes

urn / earn need / kneed

lone / loan flew / flu

seas / seize grate / great

die / dye ax / acts

would / wood ball / bawl

fair / fare bare / bear

waste / waist ate / eight

wring / ring male / mail

cent / sent / scent pare / pear / pair

do / dew / due to / too / two

there / their / they're heal / heel / he'll

aisle / isle / I'll four / fore / for