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| **Reflexive Pronouns: Each Other** | | |
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| **FORM:** | **EACH OTHER** |  |
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| **USE:** | **“Each other”** shows that the subject consists of two people or things who are doing the same thing to the other person, but not to themselves. For example, in the sentence, *“George and Karen don’t like each other”,* George doesn’t like Karen and Karen doesn’t like George, but this doesn’t tell us how George feels about himself or how Karen feels about herself.  Don’t confuse **“each other”** with the plural reflexive pronouns **“ourselves”**, **“yourselves”** and **“themselves”**. Remember that plural reflexive pronouns are used to demonstrate that a group of two or more people are doing something which has an impact on the people who are doing it. In contrast, **“each other”** is used when the impact is only on the other person, NOT the doer of the action. | |
| **EXAMPLES:** | *Joan and Amy help each other when there is a lot to do in the office.*  *Francis and Frank ran into each other at the theatre last night.*  BUT  *Let’s go get ourselves some lunch.*  *Joel and Dorothy bought themselves a new house.* | |

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| *Complete the following sentences by choosing either EACH OTHER, OURSELVES, YOURSELVES or THEMSELVES.* |

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| 1. | They are helping \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ by building a garage. |
| 2. | Kelly and Sharon bumped into \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ at the market yesterday. |
| 3. | They will have time to do it \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. |
| 4. | We are giving \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ a break by going out to lunch. |
| 5. | Jim and Tracey really love \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. |
| 6. | The first time that they saw \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ was when they were students. |
| 7. | You may not be doing \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ any good if you go on strike. |

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| 8. | They hurt \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ when they fell while hiking in the Rocky Mountains. |
| 9. | We will do \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ a lot of good if we get more sleep. |
| 10. | The two politicians attacked \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in the press during the election. |
| 11. | The brothers love \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ very much. |
| 12. | What do you think? Should we give \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ one big gift for Christmas or should we give \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ individual gifts? |
| 13. | Ron and Kathy had given \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ a hard time for years, but recently they have made peace with \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ . |
| 14. | Let’s help \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ by working together. |
| 15. | They write to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ by e-mail almost every day. |