

## Demonstrative Pronouns and Adjectives: This, These , That, Those

Look at the following examples

This is a desktop computer. ➡



➡ These are speakers.

That is an-all-in-one printer. ➡



➡ Those are USB cables.

- **This, these, that and those** are demonstrative pronouns (son pronombres, porque están reemplazando a un sustantivo y actuando como sujetos de la oración).
- We use **this** and **these** when the persons or things **are near<sup>1</sup>**. (here) **This is singular. These, is plural.**
- We use **that** and **those** when the persons or things **are not near<sup>2</sup>**. (there) **That is singular. Those, is**

Match the 2 columns.

1.

1. this	a. singular, far
2. these	b. singular, near
3. that	c. plural, near
4. those	d. plural, far

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_

4. \_\_\_\_\_

2. Look at these objects. Are they near or are they not? Write sentences with this, these, that and those.

a. wireless headphones



Those are wireless headphones. ➡



b. an infrared mouse

<sup>1</sup> Están cerca

<sup>2</sup> No están cerca

c. an LCD monitor ➡



d. ear pods ➡



e. a smartwatch ➡



f. drawing tablets ➡



### 3. Rewrite the sentences in the plural

1. That is my dictionary.

2. That is an African country.

3. This is a wireless keyboard.

4. This is an LCD monitor.

5. That isn't a USB cable.

6. Is that a box?

7. Is this an English bus?

8. Is that a Chinese mobile?

9. Is this a lion?

10. Is this a monitor?

4. Veamos ahora cómo **this –these – that y those** también se comportan como adjetivos, es decir que también pueden estar en una oración acompañando a un sustantivo:

**This class** is very boring!

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**dem.adj. noun**

- **This coffee's** cold.
- **These cups** are dirty.
- **That cafe's** open.
- **Those trees** are tall.

## Prestemos atención al ejercicio de más abajo

Si observan con atención, verán que después de cada espacio en blanco, (donde deben colocar el demostrativo correcto), hay un **sustantivo**.

5. Complete with **this** **these** **that** or **those**. →near →→→not near (far)



**Jane:** How much are ..... memory sticks<sup>3</sup>? →

**Shop assistant:** \$30

**Jane:** Thank you. .... a very nice<sup>4</sup> computer! →→→

**Lisa:** Yes, and the screen is very big<sup>5</sup>. What is ..... thing<sup>6</sup> on the front? →→→

**Shop assistant:** It's the webcam. And here<sup>7</sup>'s the mouse.

**Jane:** Yeah. Is ..... a new model? →

**Shop assistant:** No, ..... an old model →. That's why it is on sale. .....'s the new model over there. →→→

**Lisa:** And how much are ..... headphones over there<sup>8</sup>? →→→

**Shop Assistant:** They're on sale, they're \$50

**Lisa and Jane:** OK. Thanks.

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<sup>3</sup> pendrives

<sup>4</sup> Muy linda/muy buena

<sup>5</sup> grande

<sup>6</sup> cosa

<sup>7</sup> Acá/aquí

<sup>8</sup> Over there/there= allá/allí