PRONOUN-ANTECEDENT AGREEMENT: EXERCISE #1

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WHAT TO DO: In the sentences below circle the correct pronoun so that it agrees with its antecedent. Sentences #1 and #2 will concentrate on pronouns that agree with their antecedents in NUMBER.

- 1. Someone ran up the winding path to deliver (his, their) message.
- 2. Each of the parchments with red seals belongs to (him, them).

Sentences #3 and #4 will concentrate on pronouns that agree with their antecedent in GENDER.

- 3. The Baron opened a leather pouch and pulled out a ball of twine by (its, his, her) end.
- 4. It took two of them to loosen Ursula's clutch from (its, his, her) young master.

Sentences #5 and #6 will concentrate on pronouns that agree with their antecedent in PERSON.

- 5. One should always stay with (one's, your) children.
- 6. If we try hard enough, (you, we) can protect our castle and its inhabitants.

WHAT TO DO: Copy-edit the errors in the following sentences. There are SIX errors.

Neither Schwartz Carl nor Master Rudolph had been by themselves that evening.

Schwartz Carl left the pantry, to head upstairs, and he thought he heard a noise. Mayhap I was mistaken," he muttered to himself. Schwartz Carls crossbow was, put to use a few minutes later when Baron henry's men moved through the shadows.

PRONOUN-ANTECEDENT AGREEMENT: EXERCISE #2

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WHAT TO DO: In the sentences below circle the correct pronoun so that it agrees with its antecedent in NUMBER, GENDER, and PERSON.

- 1. Both the Baron and Casper used (his, their) evil against Otto.
- 2. Only one of them used (his, their) authority to forever change the young boy's life.
- 3. "Otto, one must always keep (your, his) oath," said the Baron.
- 4. He lay upon the hard couch, and pulled the shaggy bear skin back to (its, his) place around his shoulders.
- 5. Neither Casper nor the leech would use (his, their) ability to set Otto free.

WHAT TO DO: Copy-edit the errors in the following sentences. There are SEVEN errors.

During paulines visits she brought Otto great comfort to help their miserable plight. Otto told her stories of life in the monastery brother John's wonderful visions and the Abbot's beautiful books. The monastery was, after all the home that he loved. They might have been young, but Otto promised, to one day marry Pauline.

PRONOUN-ANTECEDENT AGREEMENT: EXERCISE #3

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WHAT TO DO:In each sentence below there is a comma split. In the spaces below each sentence are the numbers of all the other punctuation in the sentence. Find the comma split and write its number in the space at the left. Write what it is splitting beside that comma's number below the sentence. Next to the other numbers, write the buzzword of the rule for that punctuation. Remember that each set of quotation marks counts as one thing. We will only put a number under the open quote (") mark, not the close quote (") mark.				
- - +	"Listen, Pauline," said Otto. "If I go not away from here I shall surely die a slow, 1 2 3 leath. ‡1 ‡2			
I	"The Angels Above" was, a sweet little song, and Otto remembered how the 1 2 3 patient, tender John would sing it to him. 4			
#	#2 #3			
<i>‡</i>	Yes, the young Pauline, played an important role in Otto's rescue. 1 2 3 ‡1			
	#2 #3			