

Common mistakes between I, me, mine and myself

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Most of us get confused between the usage of - I, me, mine and myself. Are you confused, what to use when? This blog will help clear your confusion.

When to use I, me, mine and myself

1. I and me

'I' is used when you are referring to yourself. In this, you are the one who is performing the action.

Example- I am going for the dance class with Shweta.

Example- I submitted the project a little late.

Me is used when someone else is going to perform a particular action for, to, you, or.

Example- My mom scolded my brother and me.

Example- Minnu is going to cook delicious food for me.

2. My and mine

'My' is always used before the noun or adjective.

Example- Arinjita is my best friend.

Example- My book is with Reena, so I need to go to her house to collect it from her.

Mine replaces the noun. Mine cannot be put before a noun.

Example- Those books are mine.

Example- I don't like to share things which are mine.

3. Myself

'Myself' is a pronoun which should be used when you are performing the task by yourself.

'Myself' can be used in two situations:

a. When you do something to yourself

Example- I accidentally closed the door against myself.

Example- I tried helping myself from hurting.

b. When you want to emphasize 'I'

Example- I cooked the pasta myself.

Example- I did my homework myself, so please stop shouting at me.

4. By myself

The word by myself means alone. It means when you perform a task or action by yourself.

Example- As my friends were busy, I had to go for the movie by myself.

Example- I am trying to solve a mathematic problem by myself without anyone's help.

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