

this/that/these/those

A

this (singular)  Do you like this picture?	these (plural)  These flowers are for you.	that (singular)  Do you like that picture?	those (plural)  Who are those people?
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this these		this picture (= this picture <i>here</i>) these flowers (= these flowers <i>here</i>)		that those	that picture (= that picture <i>there</i>) those people (= those people <i>there</i>)
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B

We use **this/that/these/those** with a noun (**this picture** / **that girl** etc.) or without a noun:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This hotel is expensive but it's very nice. • Who's that girl? 'I don't know.' • Do you like these shoes? I bought them last week. • Those apples look nice. Can I have one? | } | with a noun |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This is a nice hotel but it's very expensive. • 'Excuse me, is this your bag?' 'Oh yes, thank you.' • Who's that? (= Who is that person?) • Which shoes do you like most? These or those? | } | without a noun |

C

that = something that *has happened*:

- 'I'm sorry I forgot to phone you.' '**That's** all right.'
- **That** was a really nice meal. Thank you very much.

that = what somebody *has just said*:

- 'You're a teacher, aren't you?' 'Yes, **that's** right.'
- 'Martin has got a new job.' 'Has he? I didn't know **that**.'
- 'I'm going on holiday next week.' 'Oh, **that's** nice.'

D

We use **this is ...** and **is that ...** ? on the telephone:

- Hello, **this** is David. (**this** = the speaker)
- Is **that** Sarah? (**that** = the other person)

We use **this is ...** to introduce people:

- A: Brian, **this is** Chris.
- B: Hello, Chris – pleased to meet you.
- C: Hello.



EXERCISES

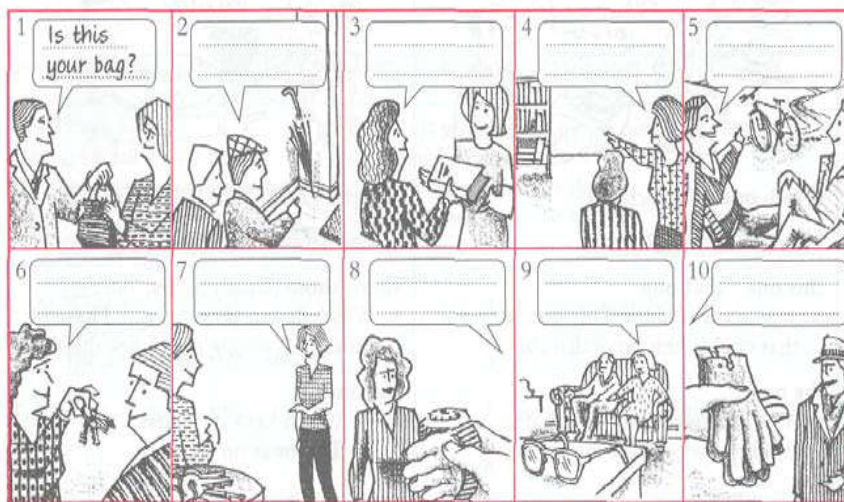
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73.1 Complete the sentences. Use **this/that/these/those** + these words:

birds house plates postcards seat shoes



73.2 Write questions: **Is this/that your ... ?** or **Are these/those your ... ?**



73.3 Complete the sentences with **this is** or **that's** or **that**.

- 1 A: I'm sorry I'm late.
B: That's all right.
- 2 A: I can't come to the party tomorrow.
B: Oh, ... a pity. Why not?
- 3 (on the telephone)
Sue: Hello, Ann. Sue.
Ann: Oh, hello, Sue. How are you?
- 4 A: You're lazy.
B: not true!
- 5 A: Jill plays the piano very well.
B: Really? I didn't know
- 6 Mark meets Paul's sister (Ann):
Paul: Mark, ... my sister, Ann.
Mark: Hello, Ann.
- 7 A: I'm sorry I was angry yesterday.
B: OK. Forget it!
- 8 A: You're a friend of John's, aren't you?
B: Yes, ... right.