



Lecture6: This and that, Expletive there, Prepositions

*This and That

This and that are demonstrative pronouns used to indicate specific things, people, or ideas.

Usage:

1-This: Refers to something that is **close** in distance or time.

Examples:

This book is fascinating.

This is my favorite song.

2-That: Refers to something that is **farther** away in distance or time.

Examples:

That mountain looks beautiful.

I remember that day well.



H.w: Exercise 1: Fill in the Blanks

Choose **this** or **that** to complete the sentences.

1. ____ is my favorite shirt.
2. Can you see ____ house on the hill?
3. ____ book I'm reading is really interesting.
4. Do you remember ____ day we went to the beach?
5. ____ is the best pizza I've ever tasted!

*Expletive There:

Expletive there: is a grammatical construct used to introduce the existence or presence of something. It often acts as a placeholder and helps to shift focus to the noun that follows.

Structure: **There is** (singular) / **There are** (plural) + noun

Usage:

1. To Indicate Existence:

- *There is a book on the table.*
- *There are many options to choose from.*

2. To Present Information:

- *There is a meeting scheduled for tomorrow.*
- *There are several reasons why we should consider this plan.*



Examples:

1. **There is** a beautiful park nearby.
2. **There are** five stars in the sky tonight.
3. **There was** a storm last night.
4. **There will be** a presentation next week.

Negative Forms:

- **There is not / There are not** (or contractions: isn't, aren't)
 - *There isn't any milk in the fridge.*
 - *There aren't enough chairs for everyone.*

Questions:

- **Is there** a problem with your order?
- **Are there** any cookies left?

*Prepositions

Prepositions are words that link nouns, pronouns, or phrases to other words in a sentence, indicating relationships in time, space, or direction.

Common Prepositions:



In: She is in the room.

On: The book is on the table.

At: I will meet you at 5 PM.

Under: The cat is under the bed.

Between: The Park is between the school and the library.