Language Arts: Pronouns Unit Organizer

4th Grade Core Knowledge – Hersh, Ronen, Siener

**Summary**

In this domain, students will learn to identify the different types of pronouns. Students will also learn to use pronouns effectively in their writing and speaking. Students will demonstrate their knowledge of pronouns by completing homework and a unit test.

**The Big Idea**

Identify subject, object, and possessive pronouns and be able to use them correctly and effectively

**Colorado State Standards**

**L4.1** Demonstrate command of the conventions of

standard English grammar and usage when writing or

speaking.

**a.** Use relative pronouns (who, whose, whom, which,

that) and relative adverbs (where, when, why).

**b.** Form and use the progressive (e.g., I was walking;

I am walking; I will be walking) verb tenses.

**c.** Use modal auxiliaries (e.g., can, may, must) to

convey various conditions.

**d.** Order adjectives within sentences

**Common Core Standards**

1. Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on *grade 4 topics and texts*, building on others’ ideas and expressing their own clearly. (CCSS: SL.4.1)
2. Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening. (CCSS: L.4.3)
3. Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking. (CCSS: L.4.1)
4. Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing. (CCSS: L.4.2)

**Core Knowledge Language Arts**

Language Arts: Grade 4

1. Writing, Grammar, & Usage
   1. Grammar and Usage
      1. Know the following parts of speech and how they are used: pronouns

**Previous Unit:** Nouns

**Prior Knowledge:**

1st – 3rd Grades

Students should already have knowledge of all eight parts of speech from previous grades, as well as from the Thompson Grammar series and Shurley Grammar. They should be able to identify pronouns in sentences.

**Next Unit:** Verbs

**What students will learn in future grades:**

Students will use and identify pronouns in future grades in writing, speaking, and grammar classes. They will continue to write more complex sentence and paragraph structure that use pronouns.

**Cross Curricular Links:**

Science:

Human Body

* Class presentations of projects

History:

American Revolution

* Class presentations of biographies

Language Arts:

Writing

* Used in all written responses and writing paragraphs

**Additional Resources:**

For Students:

* Practice Town, Michael Clay Thompson (Royal Fireworks Press 2007)
* English 4, Houghton Mifflin (Houghton Mifflin 2006) 978-0-618-61120-1
* HBJ Language, Harcourt Brace Jovanich, Publishers 0-15-316414-X

For Teachers:

* Writers Express, Dave Kemper, (Write Source 1995)