

What are demonstrative pronouns: celui-ci, celui-là?

Worksheet

Demonstrative pronouns (celui-ci, celui-là, ce dernier, ceux-ci, celles-là, etc.) replace nouns and specify proximity — celui-ci refers to something closer, celui-là to something farther.

Questions

1. Choose the correct demonstrative: 'Je veux ____ (this one feminine).'

- A) celui-ci
- B) celle-ci
- C) celles-ci
- D) ceux-ci

2. Which distance does celui-là indicate?

- A) very close
- B) closer
- C) farther
- D) opposite

3. Plural masculine form for 'those ones' (farther)?

- A) ceux-ci
- B) ceux-là
- C) celui-là
- D) ce-là

4. 'Je préfère celle-ci' — what gender/number is implied?

- A) masculine singular
- B) feminine singular
- C) masculine plural
- D) feminine plural

5. Which book do you prefer — this one or that one?

6. These two paintings: celui-ci is modern, celui-là is classical.

7. She wanted the red dress, and I chose that one — celle-là.

8. Define: What does celui-ci mean?

9. Define: When use celui-là vs. celui-ci?

10. Define: Feminine form of celui-ci?

Answer Key

1. B) celle-ci — celle-ci is feminine singular, matching the implied feminine noun.
2. C) farther — celui-là always indicates something farther away or more distant.
3. B) ceux-là — ceux-là is plural masculine demonstrative for farther objects.
4. B) feminine singular — celle-ci is feminine singular, so it replaces a singular feminine noun.
5. celui-ci = this one (masculine, singular, closer) Replaces 'ce livre-ci' (this book here) Answer: I prefer this one.
6. celui-ci = this one (closer to speaker) celui-là = that one (farther from speaker) Both masculine singular, replacing 'ce tableau'
7. celle-là = that one (feminine, singular, farther) Replaces 'la robe' (the dress) Shows gender/number agreement
8. This one (masculine singular, closer object).
9. celui-là for farther objects; celui-ci for closer ones.
10. celle-ci (feminine singular); celles-ci (feminine plural).

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