

SCENE 35 • GRAMMAR

this one, that one, which

Choosing and avoiding repeated nouns

6 Exercises · Duration: 20 min.

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Choosing and avoiding repeated nouns

Use **this/that** for one item and **these/those** for several. Add **one** or **ones** when the noun is understood: **this one, those ones**. A clear phrase such as **the yellow one** avoids repeating jacket.

Which asks for a choice: **Which one do you want?** A question about a preference can use **prefer**: **I prefer this one**. Keep **do/does** and the base verb in a question.

But connects a contrast: **This one is warm, but that one is dry**. Use the same singular or plural demonstrative whatever the object is.

Form	Example	Meaning
this	I'd like this one.	Choose one item near you.
those	I'd like those ones.	Choose several items further away.
Which	Which one do you want?	Ask the listener to choose from available items.
one	I prefer the yellow one.	Avoid repeating the singular noun jacket.
but	This is warm, but that is dry.	Connect two contrasting descriptions.
want	Which one does she want?	Keep the base verb after does.

I'd like this one.

Choose one item near you.

I'd like those ones.

Choose several items further away.

Which one do you want?

Ask the listener to choose from available items.

I prefer the yellow one.

Avoid repeating the singular noun jacket.

This is warm, but that is dry.

Connect two contrasting descriptions.

Which one does she want?

Keep the base verb after does.

GRAMMAR

G1) NOTICE THE PATTERNS

Underline the form described in this unit.

1 I'd like this one.

Meaning: Choose one item near you.

2 I'd like those ones.

Meaning: Choose several items further away.

3 Which one do you want?

Meaning: Ask the listener to choose from available items.

4 I prefer the yellow one.

Meaning: Avoid repeating the singular noun jacket.

5 This is warm, but that is dry.

Meaning: Connect two contrasting descriptions.

6 Which one does she want?

Meaning: Keep the base verb after does.

G2) CHOOSE THE FORM

Choose the right word for the gap.

1 I'd like _____ one.

- ☐ A these
- ☐ B those
- ☐ C this

Meaning: Choose one item near you.

2 I'd like _____ ones.

- ☐ A those
- ☐ B this
- ☐ C that

Meaning: Choose several items further away.

3 _____ one do you want?

- ☐ A Which
- ☐ B How much
- ☐ C Who

Meaning: Ask the listener to choose from available items.

4 I prefer the yellow _____.

- ☐ A ones
- ☐ B one
- ☐ C it's

Meaning: Avoid repeating the singular noun jacket.

5 This is warm, _____ that is dry.

- ☐ A because
- ☐ B without
- ☐ C but

Meaning: Connect two contrasting descriptions.

6 Which one does she _____?

- ☐ A want
- ☐ B wanting
- ☐ C wants

Meaning: Keep the base verb after does.

G3) COMPLETE A SHORT MESSAGE

Fill the gaps with the words from the box.

these this

I'd like _____ one.

Meaning: Choose one item near you.

that those

I'd like _____ ones.

Meaning: Choose several items further away.

Who Which

_____ one do you want?

Meaning: Ask the listener to choose from available items.

ones one

I prefer the yellow _____.

Meaning: Avoid repeating the singular noun jacket.

because but

This is warm, _____ that is dry.

Meaning: Connect two contrasting descriptions.

wants want

Which one does she _____?

Meaning: Keep the base verb after does.

G4) BUILD USEFUL SENTENCES

Put the words in order.

- 1 like I'd this one.
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Meaning: Choose one item near you.

- 2 those I'd like ones.
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Meaning: Choose several items further away.

- 3 want? you do one Which
-

Meaning: Ask the listener to choose from available items.

- 4 prefer the I one. yellow
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Meaning: Avoid repeating the singular noun jacket.

- 5 but is that is This warm, dry.

Meaning: Connect two contrasting descriptions.

- 6 one does she Which want?

Meaning: Keep the base verb after does.

G5) WHAT WOULD YOU SAY?

Choose the right words for the situation.

1 Choose one item near you. You say:

- ☐ A I'd like this one.
- ☐ B I'd like these one.

2 Choose several items further away. You say:

- ☐ A I'd like those ones.
- ☐ B I'd like that ones.

3 Ask the listener to choose from available items. You say:

- (A) Which one do you want?
- (B) Who one do you want?

4 Avoid repeating the singular noun jacket. You say:

- (A) I prefer the yellow ones.
- (B) I prefer the yellow one.

G6) CONNECT MESSAGES AND MEANINGS

Match the pairs.

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| (1) Which one do you want? | (A) Connect two contrasting descriptions. |
| (2) Which one does she want? | (B) Choose one item near you. |
| (3) I'd like this one. | (C) Choose several items further away. |
| (4) I prefer the yellow one. | (D) Keep the base verb after does. |

- ⑤ This is warm, but that is dry.
- ⑥ I'd like those ones.
- ⑦ Avoid repeating the singular noun jacket.
- ⑧ Ask the listener to choose from available items.