

Personal Pronouns – Preliminary

We have been using the PERSONAL ENDINGS of the VERBS to express the idea of **I, we, and you.**

-o/m = I -mus = we
-s = you (s.) -tis = you (pl)

There are actually pronouns that can be used to express these ideas. They are not necessary because the verb ending gets the job done, BUT they can add emphasis or contrast or clarity to a sentence.

ego - I nos - we
tu - you (s.) vos - you (pl)

When you use these pronouns they are repeating the information supplied by the verb:

Examples:

Ego sum magistra – I am a teacher

Tu es discipula – you are a student

Nos laboramus – we are working

Vos sedetis – You are sitting

Ego sum tristis, sed tu es laetus

Ego in culinā laboro

Ego cum mea familiā in magnā villā quae est ad Romam, habito

NOW Let's try some practice

1. Ego sum laetus
2. Tu es laetus
3. Nos sumus tristes, sed vos estis felices
4. Vos estis miseri
5. Nos non sumus miseri

BUT BE CAREFUL do not confuse the pronoun and the adjectives.

6. Meus canis est parvus, sed tuus canis est ingens.
7. Nostra urbs est pulchra.
8. Vestri equi sunt in meo agro.

sum practice and ego and tu preliminary