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Demonstrative Adjectives and Pronouns

In English, demonstrative adjectives and pronouns are the same words. They specify which item(s) a person is referring to. For example, if you order a pastry and the cashier asks, "Which do you want?", you can say, "That one". In English, demonstrative adjectives and pronouns are as follows:

ENGLISH DEMONSTRATIVE ADJECTIVES & PRONOUNS		Number	
		Singular	Plural
Proximity	Nearest to speaker	this (here)	these (here)
	Close to speaker	that (there)	those (there)
	Farthest from speaker	that (over there)	that (over there)

Demonstrative Adjectives in Spanish

Demonstrative adjectives specify objects/people or clarify how close something is to another noun or pronoun. For example, "**This** pizza is just as delicious as **that** pizza."

SPANISH DEMONSTRATIVE ADJECTIVES	Number			
	Singular		Plural	
	Masc.	Fem.	Masc.	Fem.
this, these	este	esta	estos	estas
that, those	ese	esa	esos	esas
that, those (farthest from speaker)	aquel	aquella	aquellos	aquellas

Demonstrative Pronouns in Spanish

Demonstrative pronouns in Spanish use an accent mark on the first "e" to replace the noun that is being specified. Think of the accent mark as the word "one" when we use demonstratives in English. For example, instead of saying, "**This** pizza is just as delicious as **that** pizza" (demonstrative adjectives), we could say, "This pizza is just as delicious as **that** one" (demonstrative pronoun). Demonstrative pronouns are used to avoid repeating the same noun more than necessary (i.e. "pizza").

SPANISH DEMONSTRATIVE PRONOUNS	Number			
	Singular		Plural	
	Masc.	Fem.	Masc.	Fem.
THIS (one), THESE (ones)	éste	ésta	éstos	éstas
THAT (one), THOSE (ones)	ése	ésa	ésos	ésas
THAT (one) over there, THOSE (ones) over there	aquel	aquella	aquellos	aquellas

"This" and "these" have the t's. "That" and "those" don't.



Near	Far	Farthest
este	ese	aquel
esta	esa	aquella
estos	esos	aquellos
estas	esas	aquellas

Adjectives are followed by a noun, but do not have an accent mark.

Pronouns are not followed by a noun, but do have an accent mark.

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Write the appropriate demonstrative adjective for each word.

1. _____ (that, farthest) camisa
2. _____ (those) calcetines
3. _____ (these) botas
4. _____ (that) cartera
5. _____ (this) cinturón
6. _____ (those, farthest) pantalones

Write the appropriate demonstrative pronoun for each word.

1. _____ (these ones) vestidos
2. _____ (this one) blusa
3. _____ (that one over there) abrigo
4. _____ (those ones) sandalias
5. _____ (those ones over there) medias
6. _____ (that one) traje de baño

Fill in the blanks with the appropriate demonstrative adjectives in the questions and demonstrative pronouns in the answers.

Demonstrative Adjectives	Demonstrative Pronouns
¿Quieres comprar _____ (this) falda?	No, quiero comprar _____ (that one over there).
¿Te gustan _____ (those) zapatos?	No, me gustan _____ (these ones).
¿Prefieres _____ (that) corbata?	No, prefiero _____ (this one).
¿Necesitas _____ (those over there) guantes?	No, necesito _____ (those ones)?



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- aquella** (that, farthest) camisa
- esos** (those) calcetines
- estas** (these) botas
- esa** (that) cartera
- este** (this) cinturón
- aquellos** (those, farthest) pantalones

Write the appropriate demonstrative pronoun for each word.

- éstos** (these ones) vestidos
- ésta** (this one) blusa
- aquéel** (that one over there) abrigo
- ésas** (those ones) sandalias
- aquéllas** (those ones over there) medias
- ése** (that one) traje de baño

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Demonstrative Adjectives	Demonstrative Pronouns
¿Quieres comprar esta (this) falda?	No, quiero comprar aquélla (that one over there).
¿Te gustan esos (those) zapatos?	No, me gustan éstos (these ones).
¿Prefieres esa (that) corbata?	No, prefiero ésta (this one).
¿Necesitas aquellos (those over there) guantes?	No, necesito ésos (those ones)?