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French Phrases: French pronouns

Subject Pronouns and common verb forms

Subject pronouns are the words like *I*, *he* in English that generally represent the 'person doing the action' in a sentence. See below for other types of pronoun.

je	ʒə, ʒ, ʃ	I
tu	ty	you (singular, familiar)
il	il	he
elle	ɛl	she
on	õ	we
nous	nu	we
vous	vu	you (plural or polite)
ils	il	they (masculine)
elles	ɛl	they (feminine)
ça	sa	it, that

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Here are some common verb forms using these subject pronouns:

je suis	ʒə sɥi, ʃɥi	I am, I'm
tu es	tye	you are, you're
t'es *(Informal)*	te	you're
il est	ile	he is, he's
elle est	ɛle	she is, she's
c'est	se	it is, it's
nous sommes	nu sɔm	we are
vous êtes	vu zɛt	you are

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ils sont	i(l)sõ	they are, they're (masculine)
elles sont	ɛlsõ	they are, they're (feminine)

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Other types of pronoun

There are other pronouns that 'stand in for' a person or noun with functions other than the subject of the sentence. For example, in English, words like *he*, *I* can't be used in cases such as: ~~*with he*~~, ~~*he saw I*~~. Instead, we use the pronouns *him* and *me*. Similarly, French has object pronouns used in similar circumstances.

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