


Read and Discover

I have always admired Nelson Mandela.

Circle the word in the sentence that shows who is speaking.

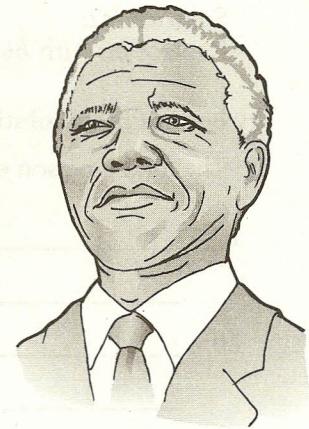
A **pronoun** can take the place of a noun. **Personal pronouns** can be used to stand for the person speaking, the person spoken to, or the person spoken about. **First person** pronouns refer to the speaker (*I, me*) or include the speaker (*we, us*). **Second person** pronouns refer to the person being spoken to (*you*). **Third person** pronouns refer to the person, place, or thing being spoken about (*he, him, she, her, it, they, them*).  **Remember to use this information when you speak, too.**

See Handbook Section 17a

Part 1

Circle each personal pronoun. Write *1* if it is a first person pronoun, *2* if it is second person, or *3* if it is third person.

1. Do you know who Nelson Mandela is? _____
2. In 1994 he became the first Black president of South Africa. _____
3. I am amazed by the obstacles Mandela overcame to reach the presidency. _____
4. From the 1940s through the 1980s, South Africa's laws took away most of Black South Africans' lands and prohibited them from voting. _____
5. We learned in history class that this system was known as apartheid. _____
6. Nelson Mandela joined the African National Congress, a group that denounced apartheid and acted to try to end it. _____
7. The South African government imprisoned him for taking action against apartheid. _____
8. Although Mandela was a prisoner for 27 years, he never lost hope. _____
9. Mandela secretly wrote a book and helped other prisoners as they waged a struggle for better prison conditions. _____
10. You will be glad to know that international outrage finally led to Mandela's release. _____
11. Mandela negotiated the end of apartheid with South African President F.W. De Klerk, and together they were awarded the Nobel Peace Prize. _____
12. Nelson Mandela is a hero to me. _____
13. This great leader's courage is an example for all of us. _____
14. He proved to the world that oppression can be ended without widespread bloodshed. _____



Nelson Mandela helped end apartheid in South Africa.