

Lesson Plan: Demonstrative pronouns

Level: Beginner (A1)

Time: 45–60 minutes

Objective:

By the end of the lesson, students will be able to use *this, that, these, those* to identify and describe objects based on distance and number.

Materials Needed:

- Real objects or flashcards (e.g., pen, book, ball)
- Whiteboard and markers
- Printable worksheet (optional)
- Small classroom items for practice

Lesson Stages:

1. Warm-Up (5–10 min)

Activity: Object Show-and-Tell

- Hold up an object close to you and say:
"This is a pen."
- Place an object farther away and say:
"That is a chair."
- Encourage students to repeat.

- Do the same with plural objects:
"These are markers." (hold close)
"Those are bags." (point far)

Goal: Activate interest and introduce key vocabulary naturally.

2. Presentation (10–15 min)

Explain with visuals or gestures:

Number	Near	Far
Singular	This (near)	That (far)
Plural	These (near)	Those (far)

Examples:

- *This is a book.* (singular, near)
- *That is a table.* (singular, far)
- *These are keys.* (plural, near)
- *Those are shoes.* (plural, far)

- ✓ Use gestures: point close vs far
- ✓ Write on the board for visual learners
- ✓ Drill pronunciation

3. Practice (15–20 min)

Activity 1: Matching Game (individual or pairs)

- Provide students with pictures of objects and the words: *this, that, these, those*.
- Ask them to match the correct demonstrative to each image based on distance and number.

Activity 2: Classroom Pointing

- Say a demonstrative and object:
"Point to something and say: 'That is a window.'"
"These are my shoes."

Optional Pair Work:

Students show or point to real items around them and use demonstratives:

A: "What's this?"

B: "That is a pencil."

4. Production (10–15 min)

Activity: Object Hunt

- Give students 3–5 classroom items or flashcards.
- Students must go around and make sentences:
 - "This is my pen."
 - "Those are your books."
- Use a worksheet with photos for students to write 4 sentences.

5. Review & Wrap-Up (5 min)

- Review the chart again.
- Ask 1–2 students to say one sentence each using a demonstrative.

Homework (Optional):

- Draw 4 objects and write one sentence for each using *this*, *that*, *these*, *those*.