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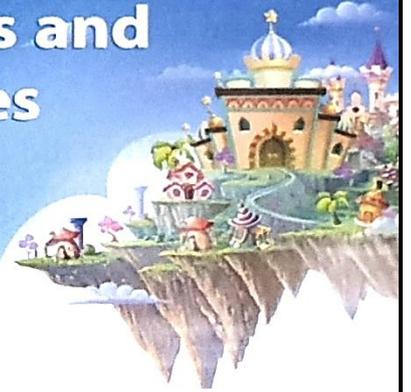
Objectives:

- To develop LSRW skills among students.
- To enable the students to learn and identify where the Interrogative Pronouns and Interrogative Adjectives are used in a sentence.

Instructions:

- Exercises on page no. 51 & 52 to be done in your English Grammar book.

Interrogative Pronouns and Interrogative Adjectives



Look at the following sentences.

What is your brother's name?

Who drives Raj to school every day?

Whom did you select as the class monitor?

Whose is this computer?

Which is the tallest building in this area?

What, *who*, *whom*, *whose* and *which* are question words or interrogatives. They are used to ask questions. In the above sentences, the question words act as pronouns as they stand for nouns.

In the first sentence, *what* stands for the name of the brother. The name is not given here. However, it is indicated by the question word *what*. In the second sentence, *who* stands for the name of the person who drives Raj to school. Similarly, *whom* in the third sentence stands for the name of the person selected as the class monitor; *whose* in the fourth sentence stands for the owner of the computer, and *which* in the fifth sentence stands for the name of the tallest building in the area.

Therefore, *what*, *who*, *whom*, *whose* and *which* in the above sentences are **interrogative pronouns**.

Interrogative pronouns are question words that act as pronouns in questions.

1. Identify the interrogative pronouns in the following sentences and circle them.

- a. **What** did the naughty dogs do?
- b. **Whose** book is this?
- c. **Whom** do you support in this debate?
- d. **Who** is going to take you to your cricket practice today?
- e. **What** is your postal address?
- f. **Whom** did you live with?
- g. **Which** cartoon character is your favourite?

Now, look at these sentences.

Whose bag is this?

What programme are you watching?

Which plant did your father bring from China?



In the sentences above, *whose*, *what* and *which* are question words. But, like adjectives, they modify the nouns *bag*, *programme* and *plant*, respectively. Therefore, *whose*, *what* and *which* in the above sentences are **interrogative adjectives**.

Interrogative adjectives are question words that modify nouns in questions.

2. Underline the interrogative adjectives in the following sentences.

- a. Which of these is your book?
- b. Which sport do you like apart from cricket?
- c. What is the price of this pen?
- d. Whose turn is it now?
- e. Whose school bag is this?