**Demonstrative Adjectives & Pronouns**

**Rule 1**

When this, that, these, and those are ***followed by nouns***, they are ***adjectives***. When they appear without a noun following them, they are pronouns.

**Examples:**  
This house is for sale.  
This is an adjective here.  
  
This is for sale.  
This is a pronoun here.

**Rule 2**

*This* and *that* are **singular**, whether they are being used as adjectives or as pronouns. *This* points to something *nearby* while *that* points to something "*over there*."

**Examples:**

*This dog is mine.*  
*That dog is hers.*  
*This is mine.*  
*That is hers.*

**Rule 3**

*These* and *those* are **plural**, whether they are being used as adjectives or as pronouns. *These* points to something *nearby* while *those* points to something "*over there*."

**Examples:**  
*These babies have been smiling for a long time.*  
*These are mine.*

*Those babies have been crying for hours.*   
*Those are yours.*