RULE SHEET

this, that, these, those



Use **this** and **these** for things near you. Use **that** and **those** for things far away. **This** and **that** are for one thing. **These** and **those** are for two or more things. In this pack, **(near)** and **(far)** show the place. After **these** and **those**, the noun is plural: these pen**s**, those **men**.

Near and far, one and two or more

	near (here)	far (far away)
one thing	**this** kite · **This** kite is red.	**that** kite · **That** kite is blue.
two or more	**these** kites · **These** kites are red.	**those** kites · **Those** kites are blue.
a person	**This** is Leo.	**That's** Ms Hall.

Questions and short answers

- **Is this** a pear? – Yes, **it** is.
- **Is that** a bird? – No, **it** isn't. It's a plane.
- **Are these** grapes? – Yes, **they** are.
- **Are those** sheep? – No, **they** aren't. They're goats.

> **Careful! this is** and **these are**: no short form. Only **that is** → **that's**. In short answers, use **it** for this and that, and **they** for these and those: Is this a pen? – Yes, **it** is. Not: Yes, this is.

PRACTICE 1

Name: _____ Class: _____ Date: _____

this or these? · the four words

1 Match the word and the meaning. Write the letter.

1. ☐ this
2. ☐ that
3. ☐ these
4. ☐ those
5. ☐ that's

a. far, two or more things
b. near, one thing
c. = that is
d. near, two or more things
e. far, one thing
f. = they are

2 The things are near. Tick this or these.

1. _____ is a ruler. ○ This ○ These
2. _____ are pencils. ○ This ○ These
3. _____ apple is red. ○ These ○ This
4. _____ shoes are new. ○ These ○ This
5. _____ is Leo. ○ This ○ These
6. _____ bananas are yellow. ○ This ○ These