

# **STEPS**

to determine if a

**subject or object pronoun**

is needed:

- **Look at the word before the pronoun choice**
- **Identify if that words is a prepOsition, action verb, or linking verb**
  - **If it's an action verb or prepOsition, then you need an OBJECT pronoun**
  - **If it's a linking verb, then you need a SUBJECT pronoun**

## **Strategies:**

\* Cross out the "and" and the second noun to help you decide what to use.

\* Never begin a sentence with an object pronoun.

\* Use the phrase "\_\_\_\_\_ worked" to see if it's an object or subject pronoun. The pronoun will sound right if it's a subject pronoun, but not an object. For example, WE WORKED sounds correct, so WE is a subject pronoun. THEM WORKED does NOT sound right, so THEM is an object pronoun.

\* Remember, linking verbs need a SUBJECT pronoun. Use the phrase "lip stick" or "large steak" to help you remember to pair them together. (linking - subject = large steak).

\* You can cross out introductory phrases and re-namers to help you determine what pronoun to use. (Example: He gave it to (us, we) students. *You could cross out students to know it was "us" for the correct choice.*)