

## 2A GRAMMAR pronouns

- a Read the following email and circle the correct pronouns.

New Message		
<b>To:</b> Giovanna Rossi	<b>From:</b> Aileen Campbell	<b>Subject:</b> Visiting Boston!
<p>Hi Giovanna!</p> <p>Great to hear that you and Alessandro are going to be visiting Boston over the summer. I'm sure you're going to love it. As far as I'm concerned, <sup>1</sup> <b>there's</b> / <b>it's</b> nowhere in the world quite like it.</p> <p><sup>2</sup> <b>It's</b> / <b>There's</b> the people in Boston who really make the city something special. I think the whole way they express <sup>3</sup> <b>them</b> / <b>themselves</b> is very different from other parts of the US. For example, <sup>4</sup> <b>there's</b> / <b>it's</b> not uncommon to exchange a few words with the person sitting next to <sup>5</sup> <b>yourself</b> / <b>you</b> on the bus or waiting in line, and <sup>6</sup> <b>you</b> / <b>one</b> sometimes end up having a laugh with them, too! It's part of the city's outgoing spirit and sense of humor.</p> <p>You told me you're feeling a little nervous about understanding the Boston accent, but I don't think you need to worry too much about that. Of course <sup>7</sup> <b>there's</b> / <b>it's</b> the problem that the city has its own dialect, but every visitor I know has been able to manage, and to find <sup>8</sup> <b>his</b> / <b>their</b> way around or go shopping by <sup>9</sup> <b>themselves</b> / <b>himself</b>. And you might be interested in listening for some of the expressions some Boston people use to address <sup>10</sup> <b>one another</b> / <b>themselves</b>. For example, if someone calls you "wicked" don't be offended, because <sup>11</sup> <b>they</b> / <b>you</b> aren't trying to say you are mean! In fact, it's an adverb meaning "very," as in "wicked awesome!". Finally, <sup>12</sup> <b>it's</b> / <b>there's</b> so much to see and do in Boston. I know you're passionate about history, so I think you'll really appreciate all of the historical monuments from the early days of the US.</p> <p>Have a great time!</p> <p>Aileen</p>		



- b Complete the following email with a suitable pronoun in each space.

New Message		
<b>To:</b> Sofia Gomez	<b>From:</b> Andy Fordham	<b>Subject:</b> RE: Coming to Ithaca
<p>Hi Sofia,</p> <p>What a great idea to take some time off from your job to study English in Ithaca. For anyone who wants to improve <sup>1</sup> <b>their</b> language skills, I don't think <sup>2</sup> _____ can be anything better than spending some time immersed in the language.</p> <p><sup>3</sup> _____ say that one always learns something when <sup>4</sup> _____ goes to Ithaca. <sup>5</sup> _____ can't be denied that although the city is small, it is a center for many kinds of learning, with its two universities and numerous schools and colleges where <sup>6</sup> _____ are able to study everything from astrophysics to English grammar!</p> <p>Anyone who arrives in Ithaca will soon realize that <sup>7</sup> _____ are in a truly international town. Most of the people who work in the stores and restaurants in town are used to dealing with visitors, so I don't think you'll have much trouble making <sup>8</sup> _____ understood. As for the way people interact, well, I find that in general, they're very polite. I mean, if you accidentally bump into someone in the street, <sup>9</sup> _____ are actually very likely to say sorry to you, not the other way around! However, people who don't know <sup>10</sup> _____ are less likely to go out of their way and start a conversation just to pass the time. You'll find that <sup>11</sup> _____'s no shortage of historical and cultural attractions in Ithaca, from the picturesque Finger Lakes to the beautiful old college buildings. What's more, <sup>12</sup> _____'s only a short drive from New York City, so you can easily see some other places in the US if you have time.</p> <p>Hope this is of some use.</p> <p>All the best for your trip,</p> <p>Andy</p>		



### ACTIVATION

- c Write your own email to a visitor from abroad, telling them what to expect when they visit the place where you live. In your email, try to use at least six of the pronouns from **a** and **b** above.