**The antecedent of a pronoun is the noun or nouns to which the pronoun refers.**

After Tanya finished her homework, she went outside to play.

**antecedent Pronoun Pronoun**

* The antecedent doesn`t have to be in the same sentence as the pronoun.

I must hurry home to feed my puppy. **He** will be hungry.

**antecedent Pronoun**

* A pronoun must agree with the antecedent in both gender and number.

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| **Correct:**  Maggie picked up her backpack.  She put it over her shoulder. | **Incorrect:**  Maggie picked up her backpack.  He put them over her shoulder. |

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