



The Lie of the Land, Amanda Craig

Pronouns, uncountable nouns and spelling rules

She switches off the machine. In the silence, he looks her full in the face and feels again the sense of disquiet. There's something in her expression, a hardness. He pushes down his instinctive dislike, ashamed of it as a form of snobbery. His mother has done the same, he knows: they all bend over backwards to be nice to her because of their middle-class guilt.

1. In these lines, a number of pronouns have been underlined. For each of them, state the type of pronoun: personal, possessive or indefinite.

Pronouns				
		Personal	Possessive	Indefinite
1	she	x		
2	he	x		
3	something			x
4	her		x	
5	he	x		
6	his		x	
7	his		x	
8	he	x		
9	they	x		
10	her	x		
11	their		x	

2. Find at least three uncountable nouns in the text. Give examples of how you can express quantity with such nouns.
3. Find examples of verbs in the third person singular that match each of the spelling rules.

Spelling rules for verbs in the third person singular present tense	Third person singular verb
- s is added to the base form of the verb	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • looks • feels • knows

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- es is added when the base form of the verb ends in ch, ss, sh, x or zz	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• switches• pushes
- The verb is irregular	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• is• has