**English Notes, 1/23/17**

***Adjective or Pronoun?***

Pronoun-replaces a noun

Adjective-modifies a noun

There are some words (they are the same) that can be adjectives or pronouns, depending on their use in a sentence.

**Examples:**

This cookie is tasty. *This* is an adjective modifying cookie.

This is tasty. *This* is a pronoun replacing cookie. *This* does not modify a noun.

Some students prefer math. *Some* is an adjective modifying students.

Some prefer English. *Some* is a pronoun replacing students.

*Some* does not modify a noun.

I want to eat those pretzels. *Those* is an adjective modifying pretzels.

I want to eat those. *Those* is a pronoun replacing pretzels.

*Those* does not modify a noun.

Tricky:

Some of the chairs are broken.

*Some* is a pronoun. It is replacing a certain number of chairs. There is no noun to modify. *Of the chairs* is a prepositional phrase.