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him  (hĭm)

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pron. The objective case of [he](#)¹.

1. Used as the direct object of a verb: *They saw him at the meeting.*

2. Used as the indirect object of a verb: *They offered him a ride.*

3. Used as the object of a preposition: *This telephone call is for him.*

4. *Informal* Used as a predicate nominative: *It's him.* See Usage Note at [I](#)¹.

5. *Nonstandard* Used reflexively as the indirect object of a verb: *He bought him some new clothes.* See Note at [me](#).
n.

A male: *The dog is a him.*

[Middle English, from Old English, dative sing. of *hē*, he; see **ko-** [in the Appendix of Indo-European roots](#).]

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Her (or His) Imperial Majesty

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