

## Some designs for emoji of personal pronouns

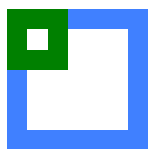
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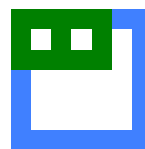
In the discussion after the end of the lecture “Unicode Emoji: How do we standardize that je ne sais quoi?” at the Internationalization & Unicode Conference 39 conference in October 2015, a gentleman in the audience raised the possibility of emoji for ‘I’ and ‘you’.

I have considered the problem, extended to include other personal pronouns, at various times. I considered images of people pointing, yet it seemed to me that these would be too detailed for accurate rendering on some devices. I considered the words for the pronouns in Esperanto, which words are of two or three letters, surrounded by a border. I have now produced some abstract designs, colourful yet also monochrome compatible.

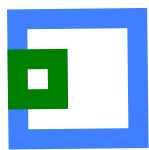
Yet can emoji be abstract designs? Or must emoji depict one or more physical objects? Here are my designs. They are on a seven by seven grid for maximum clarity. The colours are a blue (r, g, b) = (64, 128, 255) and a green (r, g, b) = (0, 128, 0).



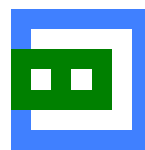
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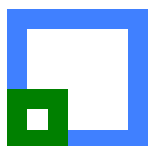
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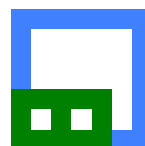
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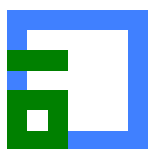
you (plural)



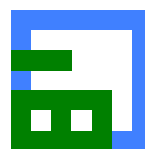
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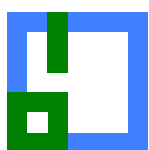
they (gender unspecified)



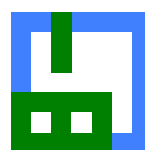
he



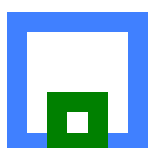
they (masculine)



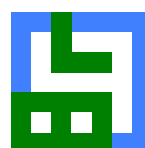
she



they (feminine)



one



they (masculine and  
feminine together)