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Intensive and Reflexive Pronouns

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1. I taught **myself** how to play the guitar. _____
2. The principal **herself** congratulated the students. _____
3. He accidentally hurt **himself** while working. _____
4. The children **themselves** planned the surprise party. _____
5. She made **herself** a cup of tea. _____
6. The mayor **himself** opened the new community center. _____
7. We prepared **ourselves** for the big exam. _____
8. You **yourself** should take responsibility for your actions. _____
9. The dog hurt **itself** while jumping over the fence. _____
10. My sister **herself** fixed the broken chair. _____

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