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Certain words in English sound exactly the same as each other and can be confusing. In fact, many native English speakers confuse these words as they sound very similar. We are going to explain the difference between **THIS OR THESE** so that you do not make the same grammatical mistakes.

This is a determiner; this means a word that is used to introduce a noun. The important thing to remember is that **this** is singular and the vowel sound is short, like in the words *him*, *bin* or *miss*.

This is the same restaurant that we came to last year. Can you give me a hand with this grammar exercise, please?

These is a determiner; this means a word that is used to introduce a noun. The important thing to remember is that **these** is plural and the vowel sound is long, like in the words *been*, *teen* or *meet*.

These are the best tomatoes that I have ever eaten. I would like to try on these shoes in a size 41, please.

To use grammatically correct English, it is essential to know the difference between these similar words, for more information see one of our courses.