

Today's topic?
RELATIVES



RELATIVE CLAUSES

DEFINING CLAUSES

Essential to the sense of the sentence.
Object pronouns in defining relative clauses can be dropped.
They are not separated off with commas
Ex: *My house that has a blue door needs painting*

NON- DEFINING CLAUSES

Give additional information on something, but do not define it. Non-defining relative clauses are put in commas. No THAT.
Ex: *My house, which has a blue door, needs painting.*



Relative Pronouns

RELATIVE

USE

EXAMPLE

WHO

SUBJECT/ PEOPLE

*Tell me **who** said that!*

WHOM

OBJECT /PEOPLE

*I invited the boy, **whom** I met there*

WHICH

SUBJ, OBJ/THINGS , ANIMALS

*Tell me **which** paper is mine*

WHOSE

POSSESSION FOR PEOPLE,
THINGS ,ANIMALS

*The boy, **whose** cap is here,
popped out.*

THAT

SUBJ,OBJ/PEOPLE ,THINGS
ANIMALS IN DEFINING CLAUSES

*I like the car **that** you bought.*



Relative Adverbs

RELATIVE

MEANING

EXAMPLE

WHEN

refers to a time expression

the day **when** we met him

WHERE

refers to a place

the place **where** we met him

WHY

refers to a reason

the reason **why** we met him



EXERCISES

1. This is the station.... Emily met James.
2. July and August are the monthsmost people go on holiday.
3. Do you know the reason..... so many people in the world learn English?
4. This is the church..... Sue and Peter got married.
5. Edinburgh is the town..... Alexander Graham Bell was born.
6. 25 December is the day..... children in Great Britain get their Christmas presents.
7. A famine was the reason..... so many Irish people emigrated to the USA in the 19th century.
8. A greengrocer's is a shop..... you can buy vegetables.
9. The day..... I arrived was very nice.
10. A horror film was the reason..... I couldn't sleep last night.



EXERCISES

1. A castle is a place..... a king or queen lives.
2. An actress is a woman..... plays in films or theatre plays.
3. This is the girl..... mother is from Canada.
4. This is the time of the year..... many people suffer from hayfever.
5. The flowers..... grow in the garden are beautiful.
6. I talked to the girl.....car had broken down in front of the shop.
7. Mr Richard is a taxi driver,..... lives on the corner.
8. I live in a house in Norwich,.....is in East Anglia.
9. This is the girl.....comes from Spain.
10. That's Peter, the boy.....has just arrived at the airport.



Relative Pronouns - necessary or not?

1. A calendar is something which tells you the date.
2. Strikers are soccer players who try to score goals for their team.
3. Jane is a person who everybody likes.
4. A stamp is something which you put on a letter if you want to send it.
5. The Thames is a river which runs through London.
6. Cheese is food which mice like eating.
7. Socks are things which you wear on your feet.
8. Love is a feeling which nobody can describe.



I hope you
have found this
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