



Watch the video on our website and read the conversation between Sophie and Anita. Then do these exercises to check your understanding of relative clauses.



1. Check your grammar: true or false

Circle *True* or *False* for these sentences.

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| 1. | Relative clauses describe or give extra information about something. | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |
| 2. | We use relative pronouns like <i>which</i> , <i>that</i> , <i>who</i> and <i>where</i> at the beginning of relative clauses. | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |
| 3. | The information in relative clauses is always essential for understanding the sentence. | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |
| 4. | Some relative clauses give additional information which is not essential for understanding. | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |
| 5. | Relative clauses that give additional information are called 'defining'. | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |
| 6. | Relative clauses are always in the middle of a sentence. | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |
| 7. | We can use exactly the same relative pronouns in defining and non-defining relative clauses. | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |
| 8. | The punctuation is different for defining and non-defining clauses. | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |

2. Check your grammar: gap fill

Write a relative pronoun (*that*, *which*, *who*, *where*, *when* or *whose*) to fill each gap.

- That's the house _____ I was born.
- My Auntie Ella, _____ is a journalist, is coming to visit next week.
- People _____ like outdoor activities will love our holidays.
- The early 1960s, _____ the Beatles first started, was a very exciting time in popular culture.
- My essay on Shakespeare, _____ I found quite difficult, got a really good mark in the end.

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6. The Mayans, _____ lived in Central America, built many stunning temples.
7. That's the girl _____ brother is in your class.
8. The snake _____ was in the garden last week belongs to our next-door neighbour.

3. Check your grammar: error correction

Correct the mistakes with relative clauses or punctuation and write the sentences on the line below.

1. The Glastonbury Festival, which is held every June is the largest music festival in the world.

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2. I always get on well with people, who love animals.

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3. Let's go to the café which they sell pizza.

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4. Queensland and Victoria, that are Australian states, are named after Queen Victoria.

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5. I've got to text that boy which I was telling you about.

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6. That's the restaurant that my father met my mother.

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7. I've got a message from Thomas, who skis I'm going to borrow.

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8. At midnight when the fireworks start, the band is going to start playing.

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Discussion

Do people still follow traditions or use old ways of doing things where you live? What do they do?