

GRAMMAR – DEFINING RELATIVE CLAUSES

a Look at 3 definitions Victoria heard on the show. Complete them with who, which or where.

- 1 It describes a place _____ there are a lot of people.
- 2 It's an adjective for a person _____ doesn't like studying or working.
- 3 It's a thing _____ you can use to help you with your cases.

3C defining relative clauses with *who, which, where*

- 1 That's the woman **who** won the lottery last year.
A chef is a person **who** cooks food in a restaurant.
- 2 A clock is something **which** tells the time.
Is that the book **which** won an important prize?
- 3 A post office is a place **where** you can buy stamps.
That's the restaurant **where** I had dinner last week.

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- We use defining relative clauses to explain what a person, thing or place is or does.
 - 1 Use *who* for a person.
 - 2 Use *which* for a thing.
 - 3 Use *where* for a place.
- The verb after *where* needs a subject, e.g. *you*.
- We can also use *which* to talk about a place, e.g.
A post office is a place which sells stamps.



that

We can use *that* instead of *who* or *which*.

*She's the girl **who** / **that** works with my brother.*

*It's a thing **which** / **that** connects two computers.*

a Complete the definitions with *who*, *which*, or *where*.

A postman is the person *who* brings you your parcels and letters.

- 1 An octopus is an animal _____ lives in the sea and has eight legs.
- 2 A lawnmower is a machine _____ cuts the grass.
- 3 A surgeon is a doctor _____ does operations.
- 4 A changing room is a room _____ people try on clothes.
- 5 A porter is the person _____ helps you with your luggage.
- 6 Garlic is a kind of food _____ keeps vampires away.
- 7 A garage is a place _____ mechanics repair cars.

b Write sentences with *who*, *which*, or *where*.

She / the woman / catch the same bus as me
She's the woman who catches the same bus as me.

- 1 That / the dog / always barks at night
- 2 That / the shop / I bought my wedding dress
- 3 He / the actor / was in the last James Bond film
- 4 They / the children / live next door to me
- 5 This / the restaurant / they make great pizza
- 6 That / the switch / controls the air conditioning
- 7 He / the teacher / teaches my sister
- 8 That / the room / we have our meetings
- 9 This / the light / is broken