

GRAMMAR

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Defining relative clauses

SHOW WHAT YOU KNOW

1 Match the definitions with the words.

a classmate <input type="checkbox"/>	a bungalow <input type="checkbox"/>	a cooker <input type="checkbox"/>
a linguist <input type="checkbox"/>	a university <input type="checkbox"/>	a village <input type="checkbox"/>

This is a place where people in the countryside live.

- 1 This is a machine that you use to heat food.
- 2 This is a person who is in your class at school.
- 3 This is a house which has only one floor.
- 4 This is a place where you study for a degree.
- 5 This is a person that studies languages.

2 ★ Choose the correct relative pronoun.

- 1 Mr Jones is the teacher *which / who* broke his leg on the field trip. He still can't walk properly.
- 2 'Rose's Place' is the café *that / where* I worked during the summer holidays. I saved a lot of money.
- 3 Look! That's the guy *that / which* cheated in the exam. He still got bad marks though.
- 4 Here's the text book *where / that* you left at my house. Now you can do your homework.
- 5 Do you remember the number of the room *which / where* the exam is later on today? I'm so stressed I can't remember anything.
- 6 This is the computer *which / where* always goes wrong. Someone should fix it.

3 ★★ Complete the gaps with *which/that, who/that or where*.



- Do you own a dog *that/which* you can't control?
- Do you have a postman ¹ *_____* worries every time he has to visit your house?
- Does your dog take you for a walk?

If the answer is 'yes' then maybe we can help.

'Good Dog Academy' is a school ² *_____* helps to train difficult dogs. We work with dog owners ³ *_____* have big problems with their pets. Come and visit the 'Good Dog Academy', a place ⁴ *_____* difficult dogs can become perfect pets in only two weeks!

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4 ★★ Write sentences with relative clauses.

Sydney / the city / my father was born.
Sydney is the city where my father was born.

- 1 Football / a sport / is cheap and fun.

- 2 A pupil / a child / goes to primary school.

- 3 A tattoo / a picture under your skin / never disappears.

- 4 Mrs Kemp / the teacher / always gives us lots of homework.

- 5 Oxford / the city / has the oldest university in the UK.

- 6 The Japanese / the people / invented sushi.

5 ★★★ Cross out the relative pronoun if it's not necessary.

This is a photo of the girl *that* I met last weekend at Sasha's party.

- 1 If Mum can't pick me up from school, I get the bus *which* stops outside our house.
- 2 I've written down the phone number *of* the private tutor *that* my cousin recommended.
- 3 This is the hospital *where* I was born. It's much bigger now than it was in the past.
- 4 Can you buy some apples, some cheese, and the eggs *that* say 'organic' on the box?
- 5 This is the puppy *which* I chose. Don't you think he's cute?

SHOW WHAT YOU'VE LEARNT

6 Choose the correct answers A–C.

- 1 This is *_____* I bought on Saturday. Do you like it?
A a bag *which* B the bag *that* C a bag
- 2 Where is *_____* lost his MP3 player?
A the student *who* B a student *that*
C the student
- 3 Take me to *_____* we had lunch last week.
A the place *which* B a place *that*
C the place *where*
- 4 Can I see *_____* you bought?
A the phone *that* B a phone *which*
C a phone
- 5 This is *_____* taught us last week.
A the teacher B the teacher *that*
C a teacher *who*
- 6 That is *_____* I have my English lessons.
A the classroom B the classroom *where*
C a classroom *that*

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