

Non-defining relative clauses

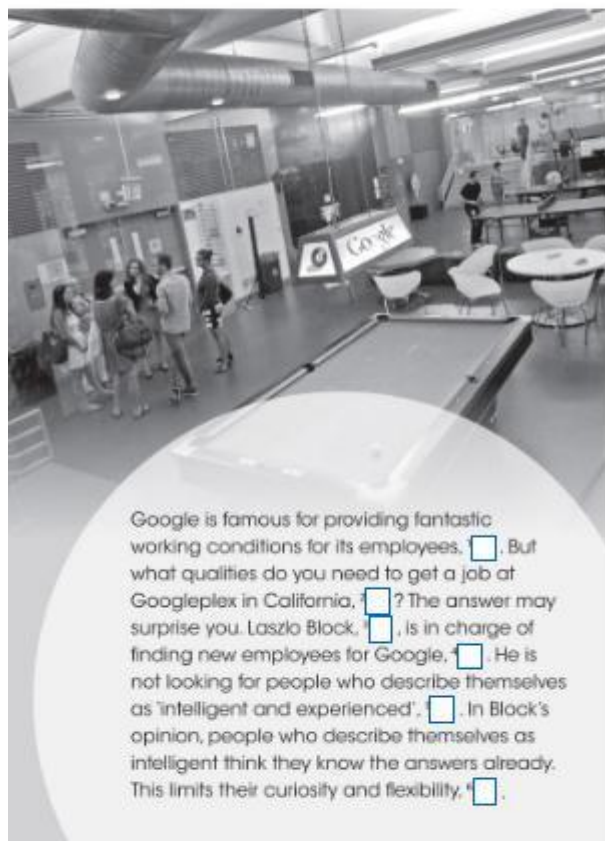
I can use non-defining relative clauses.

1 Complete the sentences with the relative pronouns below.

where which who whose

- The company's US offices are in Seattle, is near the border with Canada.
- I've applied for a job at the BBC, my mum used to work.
- At the job interview, she met Jack White, father started the company.
- The company has three hundred employees, work in three different offices.

2 Complete the text with the relative clauses (a–f).



- which are two qualities that most other companies value highly
- where the company has its main headquarters
- which receives around 2.5 million CVs every year
- who enjoy free leisure facilities (gyms, swimming pools, video games, etc.) and free meals
- which makes them unsuitable for a company like Google
- whose job title is 'senior vice-president for people operations'

3 Four of these sentences contain mistakes. Underline and correct the mistakes. Tick the two correct sentences.

- For twenty years, I worked in New York, where is a really exciting city. ☐
- At the age of nineteen, she published her first novel, that won several awards. ☐
- At the party, I met Luke's wife, who's the CEO of a large cosmetics company. ☐
- After my degree, I did a professional qualification, which lasted two years. ☐
- The company's head office is in Tokyo, which house prices are extremely high. ☐
- On my first day, I became friends with a girl called Ava, who's desk was next to mine. ☐

4 Rewrite the sentences as one sentence with a non-defining relative clause. Sometimes there are two possible answers.

- My uncle worked on a farm. He lived in Italy.
My uncle, who lived in Italy, worked on a farm. OR
My uncle, who worked on a farm, lived in Italy.
- The car factory is closing down. Three hundred local people work there.
- He was very nervous during his first interview. It was at *The Times* newspaper.
- My next door neighbour works as a gardener. She's a qualified doctor.
- She had prepared well for the job interview. It lasted nearly two hours.
- Our French teacher wants to move to France and open a hotel. Her husband is from Paris.
- My cousin did a second degree in computer science. Her first degree was in maths.
- I wrote an application letter. I forgot to post it.