# Grammar Practice
## Unit 22: Relative Clauses

**Read the theory and solve the activities.**

**1** **Complete this email with *who* or *which*. If *who* or *which* can be left out, put it in brackets.**

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To: Decor.trotter@kwikmail.co.uk
Subject: decorating job problems

Dear Mr Trotter,

I have a number of complaints about the work **(1)** ___which___ your company did in my house during the past week.

You promised that the men **(2)** _____ carried out the work would arrive by 8.00. As I explained to you, I have to catch the bus **(3)** _____ leaves at 8.15. On three days the men arrived after eight, so I missed my bus and some of my customers, **(4)** _____ were waiting to talk to me, were extremely annoyed.

Your foreman lost the written instructions **(5)** _____ I gave him, none of **(6)** _____ he appears to have understood. The paint **(7)** _____ he used for the hall was the one **(8)** _____ should have been used in the kitchen. The sitting-room wallpaper, **(9)** _____ I had chosen with great care, is the wrong way up. My bathroom, **(10)** _____ you and I agreed did not need redecorating, has been painted.

These mistakes must be put right immediately. Please contact me as soon as possible.

Yours,

Cecil J. Trubshaw

**2** **Use a relative pronoun from the box and match the two halves of these sentences.**

| where | when | ~~which~~ | which | which | who | whose | why |
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| 1 | I don't really enjoy films ___which___ | A | you didn't tell me about your engagement. |
| 2 | I often go to parties _____ | B | I was late for school? |
| 3 | My teacher usually explains vocabulary _____ | C | show a lot of violence. |
| 4 | Can you remember any occasion _____ | D | speaks five languages? |
| 5 | I can't understand the reason _____ | E | involved working in the evenings. |
| 6 | Have you ever met anyone _____ | F | they play very loud music. |
| 7 | I envy people _____ | G | I don't understand. |
| 8 | I would hate to have a job _____ | H | parents buy a car for them. |

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## 3 Choose the correct sentence from each pair.

1 a Have you ever been back to the town where you were born in?
  b Have you ever been back to the town where you were born? ✓
2 a My left ankle which I broke last winter is still giving me trouble.
  b My left ankle, which I broke last winter, is still giving me trouble.
3 a Is that the man you were talking about?
  b Is that the man you were talking about him?
4 a I'm looking for the book you lent me last week.
  b I'm looking for the book what you lent me last week.
5 a This expensive silk jacket, that I only bought last week, has lost three buttons.
  b This expensive silk jacket, which I only bought last week, has lost three buttons.
6 a The laptops, two of which belonged to teachers, were taken from the school office.
  b The laptops, two of them belonged to teachers, were taken from the school office.
7 a The friend that I want to introduce you to her is away this weekend.
  b The friend I want to introduce you to is away this weekend.

## 4 Combine each pair of sentences by making the second sentence into a non-defining relative clause.

1 My aunt loves ice cream with chocolate sauce. She is rather greedy.
My aunt, who is rather greedy, loves ice cream with chocolate sauce.
2 My uncle's cottage has been damaged by floods. We usually spend our holidays there.
_____
3 The chemistry exam was actually quite easy. We had been worrying about it.
_____
4 My brother got into a fight near the school. His classmates had been teasing him.
_____
5 There are dreadful traffic jams during the summer. Everyone goes on holiday then.
_____
6 My parents enjoyed that film very much. They don't often go to the cinema.
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## 5 Complete the sentences with these phrases.

~~all of whom~~ none of whom most of which neither of which one of which

1 The company was founded by three brothers, all of whom became millionaires.
2 The thieves took my bike and my sister's, _____ was insured.
3 The four students, _____ spoke Spanish, had travelled all over South America.
4 We bought several computer games, _____ we had to return as it didn't work.
5 The in-flight entertainment consisted of foreign films, _____ had subtitles.

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# Exam practice

## Reading and Use of English Part 4

For questions **1–6**, complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence, using the word given. **Do not change the word given.** You must use between **two** and **five** words, including the word given. Here is an example (**0**).

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**0** The same person bought the three paintings Katie had put in the exhibition.

**WHICH**

Katie had put three paintings in the exhibition, all of which were bought by the same person.

**1** That's the hotel where we had lunch last Sunday.

**IN**

That's the hotel _____ last Sunday.

**2** Being an airline employee, my sister sometimes gets cheap flights.

**WORKS**

My sister, _____, sometimes gets cheap flights.

**3** I don't like Jim because he's so mean.

**REASON**

Jim's meanness _____ I don't like him.

**4** Last week Gerry borrowed the book from me and now he's lost it.

**I**

Gerry's lost the _____ last week.

**5** The concert which Ben took me to wasn't very enjoyable.

**WENT**

I didn't enjoy _____ to with Ben.

**6** The mother of that boy is a well-known actress.

**WHOSE**

That's _____ a well-known actress.

## Grammar focus task

Look at your answers to the exam task.

**1** Which of the sentences you have written contain relative clauses? _____

**2** Are they defining or non-defining relative clauses? _____

**3** How do you know? _____

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