

Practicing relative clauses

A. Choose the correct relative pronoun for each sentence.

1. Elton John is the singer (who/whom/that) sang Tiny Dancer.
2. I like books (who/whom/that) have strong main characters.
3. The person (who/whom/that) I miss the most is my best friend.
4. The car (who/whom/that) has a scratch on the side is mine.
5. Dr. Sales is a person in (who/whom/that) I don't have much confidence.
6. The severe drought (who/whom/that) occurred last summer ruined the corn crop.
7. People who exercise frequently have greater physical endurance than those (who/whom/that) don't.
8. That book is by a famous anthropologist. It's about the people in Samoa among (who/whom/that) she lived for two years.
9. The missing man's family is desperately seeking anyone (who/whom/that) has information about his activities.
10. The publishers expect that the new biography of Simon Bolivar will be bought by people (who/whom/that) are interested in Latin American history.
11. Do you have the book belongs (who/whom/that) to the teacher?
12. I have three brothers, all of (who/whom/that) are businessmen.

B. Write the correct relative pronoun to complete the sentence.

1. Alex bought a bicycle _____ is specially designed for long-distance racing.
2. I enjoyed talking with the man _____ I sat next to on the plane.
3. I read about a woman _____ makes old-fashioned clocks for a living.
4. Louise, tell us about the movie _____ you saw last night.
5. People _____ don't get enough sleep may become short-tempered and irritable.
6. The hat _____ Tom is wearing is unusual.
7. The people about _____ the novelist wrote were factory workers and their families.
8. The person to _____ Anne spoke could not answer her question.
9. The subjects _____ we talk about in class are interesting.
10. The teacher _____ I like the most is Mrs. Grange.

C. Rewrite the sentences, combining them together using defining relative clauses.

1. My favorite dessert is chocolate cake. My mother makes it for my birthday every year.

2. Have you watched that film yet? I recommended it to you last month.

3. I've never met that woman. My cousin is talking to her.

4. Louis knows the woman. The woman is meeting us at the airport.

5. I miss seeing the old woman. She used to sell flowers on that street corner.

6. I read the book. It describes New York.

7. The man finished the job in four days. I hired him to paint my house.

8. Mary tutors students. They need extra help in geometry.
