

Defining and non-defining relative clauses

Use either **who** or **that** in defining relative clauses about people: A set designer is an artist **who/that** makes important contributions to a theater production. BUT Use only **who** in non-defining relative clauses about people: A set designer, who makes important contributions to a theater production, has to be very creative. (**NOT: A set designer, that makes . . .**)

Use commas before and after a non-defining clause: A gossip columnist, who gets to go to fabulous parties, writes about celebrities and scandals.

Combine these sentences with *who* or *that*. Add a comma wherever one is necessary.

1. A prop designer makes sure everything on a movie set looks realistic.
He or she is good with details.

2. A screenwriter is a talented person. He or she develops a story idea into a movie script.

3. A script doctor is a writer. He or she is used when a screenplay needs more work.

4. Casting directors choose an actor for each part in a movie. They have usually been in the movie business for a long time.

5. High-budget movies always use big stars. The stars are known around the world.

6. Movie directors are greatly respected. They "make or break" a film.
