

RELATIVE CLAUSES

1 Complete the sentences (1–7) with the correct non-defining relative clause (A–H). There is one extra clause which you do not need to use.

- 1 My cousin Scott, _____, has just published a comic.
- 2 The garage, _____, has been selling cars since the 1940s.
- 3 The couple, _____, are getting married in secret.
- 4 This small village, _____, will always be my home.
- 5 This bike, _____, goes really fast.
- 6 The disease, _____, can be fatal.
- 7 That first year of high school, _____, was the best year of my life.

- A which is a bit newer than my brother's one
B which was started by Smith's father
C that was born in Toulouse
D where I grew up and my parents grew up
E whose name comes from Latin
F when I met my best friend
G who met just two months ago
H who lives in Arizona

2a Complete the sentences with a relative pronoun.

- 1 Newport, _____ I went to school, has changed a lot.
- 2 Then I played loads with my cousins, _____ had come from America.
- 3 I love winter days _____ we all sit around the fire.
- 4 Is that the T-shirt _____ your brother used to wear?
- 5 You remember my Auntie Jo, _____ house we stayed in?
- 6 My grandparents' house was a place _____ was full of secrets.
- 7 So, is Mark the brother _____ lives in the States or is that your other brother?
- 8 I had to sit next to my cousin Kelly, _____ I can't stand.

2b Answer the questions.

- 1 In which sentences can you also use *that*?
Numbers: _____
- 2 In which sentence is it not necessary to put any pronoun?
Number: _____

3 Put a tick (✓) if the sentence is correct or a cross (✗) if it is incorrect. Correct the mistakes by writing the sentence again.

- 1 So, are these the shoes, which you like the most? _____

- 2 Last summer I went on holiday to Corfu. It was a period of my life that I had many problems. _____

- 3 The family member whose personality is most similar to mine is my cousin Matt. _____

- 4 This is my Uncle Brian that he works in the art shop. _____

- 5 Do you remember? This is the park where we first met. _____

- 6 My two siblings, who my parents named them after film characters, are called Leia and Luke. _____

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5 Complete the story with the words in the box. There is one extra word which you do not need to use.

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It was one of those summer days ¹ _____ the weather is perfect. I can't remember ² _____ garden it was, if it was my grandma's or my uncle's (they were neighbours), but I ³ _____ playing with my sister Helen, ⁴ _____ I used to do a lot when I was younger. I asked her to lift me ⁵ _____ so that I could get the frisbee, ⁶ _____ had gone on top of the shed, except that that wasn't ⁷ _____ the frisbee had gone at all. It ⁸ _____ gone into the field behind. So we climbed over the fence into the field. Just then we saw two men running. 'Look!' I said. 'It's the escaped prisoners – the ones ⁹ _____ the police have been looking ¹⁰ _____.' And I was right.

6 Combine the two sentences and write defining or non-defining relative clauses. If the pronoun can be omitted, write brackets.

1 I've got a place on a course. It starts in October.

2 The university is only ten years old. It is located just outside Barcelona.

3 I love winter days. We all sit around the fire then.

4 The man told me you were out. He answered the phone.

5 Ivan is very good-looking. He is Helen's brother.

6 My friend Isabel wants to do Media Studies. Her father is a TV presenter.

7 The new club plays great music. Jamie works there.
