Relative Pronouns

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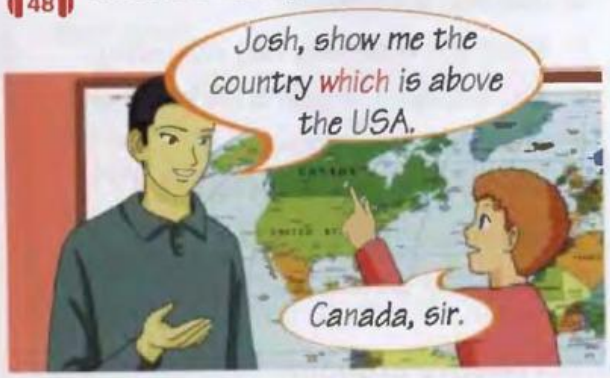

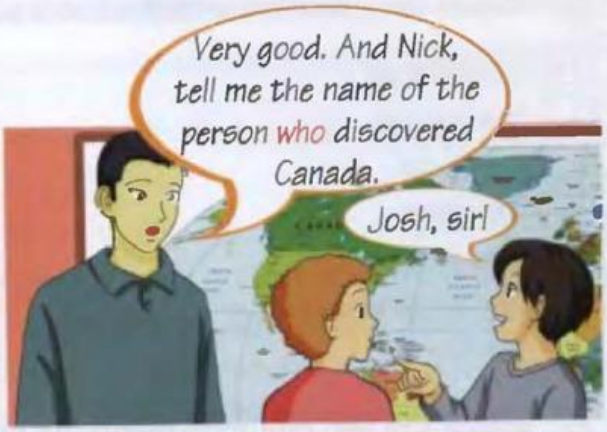

The relative pronouns (who, which, whose, that) tell us more about nouns (a specific person or thing) and introduce relative clauses.

The boy **who** is wearing the red T-shirt is my brother. (Which boy?)
The bag **which** is on the desk is Mary's. (Which bag?)

people	objects / animals	possession
who / that	which / that	whose

- **We use who / that to refer to people.**

  The girl – she is talking on the phone – is Mary.

  The girl **who** is talking on the phone is Mary.

- **We use which / that to refer to things or animals.**

  The car – it is parked outside – is Jack's

  The car **which** is parked outside is Jack's.

  The dog – it is under the table – is Lucy's.

  The dog **which** is under the table is Lucy's.

- **We use whose with people, animals and things to show that something belongs to somebody.**

  That's the man – his daughter is a nurse.

  That's the man **whose** daughter is a nurse.

- **who / which / that cannot be omitted when they are the subject of the relative clause, that is when there isn't a noun or a subject pronoun between them and the verb.**

  I saw a film. It was really exciting.

  I saw a film **which / that** was really exciting.

- **who / which / that can be omitted when they are the object of the relative clause, that is when there is a noun or a subject pronoun between them and the verb.**

  That's the man. Ann met him last week.

  That's the man (**who/that**) Ann met last week.

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1 Match the phrases to make sentences.

1 [g] Is this the car	a who won the lottery?
2 [ ] The bracelet	b which you wrote was very interesting.
3 [ ] I met a girl	c who is playing football is my best friend.
4 [ ] The article	d which serves Japanese food.
5 [ ] Is he the man	e that my mum gave me is beautiful.
6 [ ] That is the restaurant	f who speaks five languages.
7 [ ] The boy	g which your parents bought you?

2 Match the two columns using the correct *relative pronoun*.

A		B
1 A printer is a machine		a has sung many hit songs.
2 Shakira is a singer	**who**	b you sit on.
3 An armchair is a piece of furniture	**which / that**	c mother is a famous actress.
4 This is Amanda	**whose**	d teaches children.
5 A teacher is a person		e prints out documents.

Note: **Who's = short form of who is**
Whose = used with people, animals and things to show possession.

3 Underline the correct item.

1 She is the girl **who's** / **whose** the best student in class.
2 That's the man **who's** / **whose** wife is a doctor.
3 Is that the boy **who's** / **whose** family lives next to you?
4 Did you meet the man **who's** / **whose** our new Maths teacher?
5 That's the girl **who's** / **whose** dog chased my cat.

4 Choose the correct item.

1 This is the dress ..... I bought last week.
A who **B** which **C** whose

2 The kangaroo is an animal ..... lives in Australia.
A who **B** whose **C** that

3 Meryl Streep is the actress ..... played in *Mamma Mia*.
A whose **B** who **C** which

4 The girl ..... parents are doctors lives next door to us.
A who **B** whose **C** that

5 Katrina is the hurricane .... hit New Orleans.
A which **B** whose **C** who

6 Maria is the one ..... is always late for class.
A whose **B** which **C** who

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