

RELATIVE CLAUSES

1. Complete the email with *who* or *which*:

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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 then match the sentences:

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

- 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.
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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.

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.