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## Mini Lesson 032 - Relative Clauses (Who, Which, That)

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### Explanation:

Relative clauses give additional information about a noun, and they begin with relative pronouns such as "who," "which," and "that."

- **Who** refers to people.

- Example: \*The woman who lives next door is a teacher.\*

- **Which** refers to animals and things.

- Example: \*The book which I borrowed was really good.\*

- **That** can refer to people, animals, or things (and is more common in informal speech).

- Example: \*The car that I bought last year is red.\*

### When to Use Relative Clauses:

- Use relative clauses to describe or define the noun more clearly.

- Example: \*The boy who plays the guitar is my cousin.\*

### Types of Relative Clauses:

- **Defining Relative Clauses:** These clauses give essential information about the noun and don't use commas.

- Example: \*The teacher who taught me English is retired.\*

- **Non-Defining Relative Clauses:** These clauses give extra information that isn't essential, and they are separated by commas.

- Example: \*My dog, which I adopted last year, loves to play fetch.\*





## Exercises:

### Section 1: Fill in the Blanks

Choose "who," "which," or "that" to complete the sentences.

1. The man \_\_\_\_\_ fixed my car is very skilled.
2. The movie \_\_\_\_\_ you recommended was fantastic.
3. She has a friend \_\_\_\_\_ lives in New York.
4. The phone \_\_\_\_\_ I bought last week is already broken.
5. I love the cookies \_\_\_\_\_ my mom makes.
6. The teacher \_\_\_\_\_ taught me math retired last year.
7. The book \_\_\_\_\_ I am reading is really interesting.

### Section 2: Combine the Sentences

Combine the sentences using "who," "which," or "that."

1. She is a singer. She sings beautifully.
2. The cake is delicious. You made the cake.
3. I have a cat. The cat likes to climb trees.
4. The doctor is famous. He performed the surgery.
5. The laptop is expensive. I bought the laptop yesterday.

### Section 3: Identify the Type of Relative Clause

State whether the following sentences have a defining or non-defining relative clause.

1. The car, which was a gift from my parents, is very fast.
2. The girl who sits next to me in class is very smart.
3. The restaurant that we visited last night was amazing.
4. My brother, who lives in London, is coming to visit.
5. The movie that won the award was directed by her.





#### **Section 4: Rewrite the Sentences**

Rewrite the following sentences using non-defining relative clauses.

1. My sister is a doctor. She lives in Tel Aviv.
2. The Eiffel Tower is in Paris. It is one of the most famous landmarks in the world.
3. We visited the museum. It has a wonderful art collection.
4. I met a writer. She is very talented.
5. My friend moved to Canada. She used to live next door.





**Answers:**

**Section 1:**

1. The man *\*who\** fixed my car is very skilled.
2. The movie *\*which/that\** you recommended was fantastic.
3. She has a friend *\*who\** lives in New York.
4. The phone *\*which/that\** I bought last week is already broken.
5. I love the cookies *\*which/that\** my mom makes.
6. The teacher *\*who\** taught me math retired last year.
7. The book *\*which/that\** I am reading is really interesting.

**Section 2:**

1. She is a singer *\*who\** sings beautifully.
2. The cake *\*which/that\** you made is delicious.
3. I have a cat *\*that\** likes to climb trees.
4. The doctor *\*who\** performed the surgery is famous.
5. The laptop *\*which/that\** I bought yesterday is expensive.

**Section 3:**

1. Non-defining
2. Defining
3. Defining
4. Non-defining
5. Defining

**Section 4:**

1. My sister, *\*who\** lives in Tel Aviv, is a doctor.
2. The Eiffel Tower, *\*which\** is in Paris, is one of the most famous landmarks in the world.
3. We visited the museum, *\*which\** has a wonderful art collection.
4. I met a writer, *\*who\** is very talented.
5. My friend, *\*who\** used to live next door, moved to Canada.

