

Relative clauses

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- 1 Which relative pronoun correctly completes the sentence? Tick one.

The trophy ___ she won is on display.

☐ when ☐ where ☐ that ☐ who

- 2 Which relative pronoun correctly completes the sentence? Tick one.

The town ___ she grew up has changed a lot.

☐ which ☐ where ☐ that ☐ who

- 3 Which sentence does NOT contain a relative clause? Tick one.

- ☐ The town where I was born has changed a lot.
☐ The man who fixed the boiler was quick.
☐ After the storm, she walked home in the rain.
☐ The coat, which was soaked, dripped on the floor.

- 4 Which relative pronoun correctly completes the sentence? Tick one.

Nobody remembers the day ___ the clock stopped.

☐ where ☐ when ☐ which ☐ who

- 5 Which relative pronoun correctly completes the sentence? Tick one.

The parcel ___ arrived this morning is for you.

☐ when ☐ who ☐ whose ☐ that

- 6 Which sentence uses commas correctly around a non-defining relative clause? Tick one.

- ☐ The museum which reopened last month, is free.
☐ The museum, which reopened last month is free.
☐ The museum which, reopened last month, is free.
☐ The museum, which reopened last month, is free.

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7 Which relative pronoun correctly completes this sentence? Tick one.

The village ___ she was born no longer exists.

- ☐ that ☐ who ☐ which ☐ where

8 Which relative pronoun correctly completes the sentence? Tick one.

The book ___ I borrowed was brilliant.

- ☐ who ☐ where ☐ that ☐ when

9 Which sentence contains a defining relative clause (no commas)? Tick one.

- ☐ The student whom works hardest will succeed.
☐ The student, who works hardest, will succeed.
☐ The student, which works hardest, will succeed.
☐ The student who works hardest will succeed.

10 Which sentence does NOT contain a relative clause? Tick one.

- ☐ My friend, who is very funny, lives nearby.
☐ The letter, which arrived today, was unexpected.
☐ The cat, which was black, sat on the mat.
☐ She ran quickly to catch the bus.

11 Which sentence punctuates the relative clause correctly? Tick one.

- ☐ My phone which I dropped yesterday, still works.
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