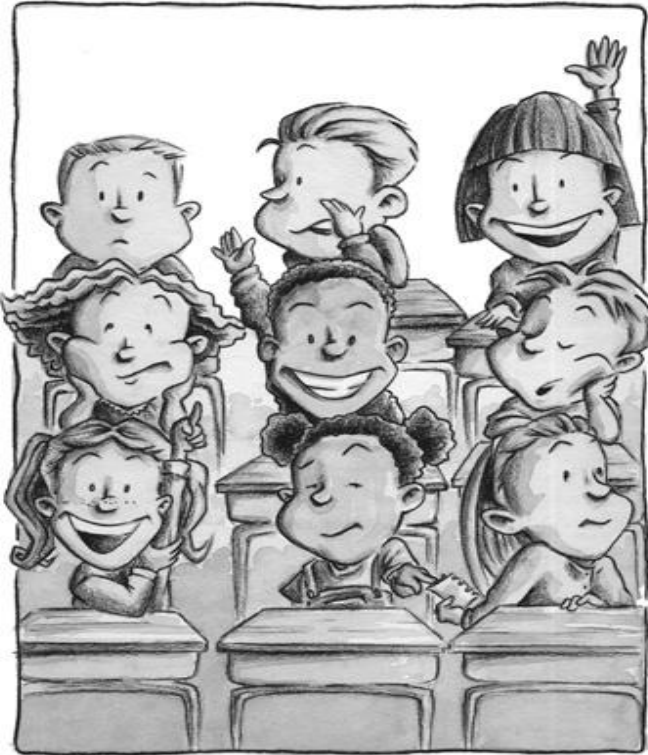


# RELATIVE PRONOUNS



## Pay attention to the following sentences:

The girl **who** is raising her hand is an excellent pupil.  
Next to her there is a boy **whose** favourite task in class is talking to his partner.

There is a boy sleeping in class, **which** is a forbidden thing to do in class!

The boy **that** is standing in the middle is Paul.

The words in bold are **relative pronouns**. Relative pronouns replace nouns and also link sentences. They have the same form for singular and plural:

The girl **who** is raising her hand is an excellent pupil.

The girls **who** are raising their hands are excellent pupils.

- **who, whom** and **whose** are only used with persons
- **which** is only used with things or animals
- **that** is used for things and persons
- sometimes we can omit the relative pronoun, when it is not the subject of the verb:  
e.g. The museum **that** I visited ... / The museum I visited

## A) Link the two sentences by means of **who** or **which**.

1. The man was wearing sunglasses. He works as a private investigator.

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2. My mother made a delicious ice-cream. I ate it all by myself.

\_\_\_\_\_

3. The man was drunk. He had an accident.

\_\_\_\_\_

4. Paul is reading a book. It is very interesting.

\_\_\_\_\_

## B) Link the two sentences by using **whose**.

1. The singer was very furious. His fans didn't show up.

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2. The little girl was accompanied by her teacher. Her mother was waiting for her. \_\_\_\_\_

3. This song is very popular. Its author has died.

4. The man was injured. His aggressor is unknown.

5. An old lady is driving her car. Her driving license has expired. \_\_\_\_\_

6. The boys are happy. Their parents won the lottery.

## C) Fill in the gaps using **who, which** or **that**.

1. The school bus, \_\_\_\_\_ is crowded with pupils, needs more fresh air.

2. The old man \_\_\_\_\_ lost his umbrella was unable to walk home because of the heavy rain.

3. Who was that man \_\_\_\_\_ was walking up the stairs into the bookshop?

4. I think he wants the book \_\_\_\_\_ is at sale.

5. The boy \_\_\_\_\_ broke the window is not well-behaved.

6. The girl \_\_\_\_\_ is wearing a blue jacket has got a Ferrari.

7. The cat \_\_\_\_\_ on the window is extremely aggressive.

8. Peter's schoolbag, \_\_\_\_\_ is at school, was bought at the same shop as mine.

9. The football player \_\_\_\_\_ scored is the most popular in my country.

10. The car \_\_\_\_\_ broke down was only bought a few weeks ago.

11. Mr. Harrison, \_\_\_\_\_ has just bought a new car, had a terrible accident in the free-way.

12. This is the person \_\_\_\_\_ I told you about.

13. The book \_\_\_\_\_ I borrowed from the library is fantastic! You should read it too!