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# Relative Clauses and Non-Defining Relative Clauses

#### What is a Relative Clause?

A relative clause, also known as an adjective clause, is a dependent clause that modifies a noun or pronoun in the main clause. It begins with a relative pronoun (who, which, that, or whose) and provides additional information about the noun or pronoun.

#### What is a Non-Defining Relative Clause?

A non-defining relative clause, also known as a non-restrictive relative clause, provides additional information about a noun or pronoun but is not essential to its meaning. It is separated from the main clause by commas.

#### **Example of Non-Defining Relative Clauses:**

- John, who is my best friend, is getting married next week.
- The car, which was a gift from my parents, is now broken.

# 10 Examples of Relative Clauses:

- 1. The man who lives next door is a doctor.
- 2. The book that I am reading is very interesting.
- 3. The dog that is barking is my neighbor's.
- 4. The students who study hard will pass the exam.

- 5. The store where I bought the shoes is having a sale.
- 6. The town that I grew up in is very small.
- 7. The woman whose car was stolen is very upset.
- 8. The movie that won the award was very good.
- 9. The house that is for sale is very expensive.
- 10. The job that I have is very challenging.

#### **Defining and Non-Defining Relative Clauses**

- Defining relative clauses are essential to the meaning of the main clause.
  They cannot be separated by commas.
- Non-defining relative clauses provide additional information but are not essential to the meaning of the main clause. They are separated by commas.

# 3 Defining Relative Clauses:

- 1. The man who is tall is my teacher.
- 2. The car that is red is mine.
- 3. The students who are studying are passing their exams.

#### **Relatives Defining Relative Clauses**

Relatives defining relative clauses are essential to the meaning of the main clause. They cannot be separated by commas.

### **Example of a Non-Defining Adjective Clause:**

• My friend, who is a doctor, is getting married next week.

# **Rules of Relative Clause:**

- 1. The relative pronoun agrees with the noun or pronoun it refers to in number and gender.
- 2. The relative clause is introduced by a relative pronoun (who, which, that, or whose).
- 3. The relative clause is separated from the main clause by a comma if it is a nondefining clause.

#### Difference Between Relative Clause and Relative Pronoun:

A relative clause is a dependent clause that modifies a noun or pronoun in the main clause, while a relative pronoun is a word that introduces a relative clause.

# 20 Examples of Relative Pronouns:

- 1. Who
- 2. Which
- 3. That
- 4. Whose
- 5. Whoever
- 6. Whomever
- 7. Whatever
- 8. Whomever
- 9. Whoso
- 10. That
- 11. Where
- 12. Wherefore
- 13. Wherefrom
- 14. Wherein
- 15. Whereof
- 16. Whereon
- 17. Whereto
- 18. Whereunder
- 19. Wherever
- 20. Wherewith

# Why Can't We Use That in Non-Defining Relative Clauses?

In general, that is not used in non-defining relative clauses because it creates confusion. Non-defining relative clauses are separated by commas, and the comma would be interpreted as separating that from the rest of the sentence.

### 10 Clauses Examples:

The man who is tall is my teacher.

- 2. The car that is red is mine.
- 3. The students who are studying are passing their exams.
- 4. The book that I bought yesterday is very interesting.
- 5. The movie that won the award was very good.
- 6. The house that is for sale is very expensive.
- 7. The woman whose car was stolen is very upset.
- 8. The job that I have is very challenging.
- 9. The town where I grew up is very small.
- 10. The store where I bought the shoes is having a sale.

# **Non-Defining Relative Clause Answers:**

- 1. The information in the relative clause is not essential to the meaning of the main clause.
- 2. The relative clause is separated from the main clause by commas.

#### **Five Relative Clauses:**

- 1. Who
- 2. Which
- 3. That
- 4. Whose
- 5. Where

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# **Meaning of Relative Clauses:**

Relative clauses provide additional information about a noun or pronoun in the main clause. They can be used to describe, identify, or give more context.

#### **Relative Clause and Noun Clause:**

A relative clause is an adjective clause that modifies a noun, while a noun clause is a subordinate clause that functions as a noun in the sentence.

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