

RELATIVE CLAUSES

1. Relative pronouns

We use relative pronouns in relative clauses. We use relative clauses to give more information about something, without having to start a new sentence.

Uses:

- Who for people
- Which for things and animals
- Where for places
- Whose to show possession

We can use who for animals when we give them a personality.

When there is a relative pronouns, remember not to repeat the subject/object.

2. Non-defining relative clauses

Give extra information. The sentence makes sense without the relative clauses. If we removed the relative clauses, the sentence still makes sense. We use commas with non-defining clauses.

Use: To give extra information.

3. Defining relative clauses

Give very important information. If we remove a defining relative clause, the sentence doesn't make sense. We don't use commas with defining relative clauses. We can use that instead of who and which.

Use: To define who or what we're talking about.