

Defining relative clauses

1 Write the correct relative pronoun in 1-6. Then match 1-6 to a-f to make sentences.

- whose ■ where ■ which (x2) ■ who ■ when

- 1 Excuse me, is this the room
 - 2 I need to find someone
 - 3 I'm looking for one of those plastic things
 - 4 Next Thursday is the day
 - 5 This is a public announcement. Could the person car
 - 6 Can you show me the key
- a is parked right outside the main door please move it?
 b opens that cupboard door?
 c I'm going to get my new glasses from the opticians.
 d knows how to uninstall this program.
 e the English oral tests are taking place?
 f you use to play the guitar. Ah, yes, a plectrum.

2 Complete the sentences with a relative pronoun and essential information. Use the verbs in brackets.

- 1 J.K.Rowling is the woman (write / Harry Potter books)
- 2 Hollywood is the place (most American films / make)
- 3 Leonardo da Vinci is the artist (paint / the *Mona Lisa*)
- 4 25 December is the date (Christmas / celebrate)
- 5 Nike is the brand logo (look like / a tick)
- 6 Stratford-upon-Avon is the town (Shakespeare / born)

3 Study the words in italics in each sentence and write S (Subject) or O (Object).

- 1 Where's the *button* that switches this thing off?
- 2 Barbara is *the person* who you should ask.
- 3 Gaelic is *a language* that few people speak.
- 4 I'm not normally *someone* who forgets people's names.
- 5 Paella is *a dish* which is very popular in Spain.
- 6 The kuna is *the currency* that people use in Croatia.
- 7 Binary code is the *language* which computers use.
- 8 A baggage handler is *the person* who puts your luggage on an aeroplane.

4 Look at the sentences in exercise 3 again. In the sentences with an object, underline the subject which follows it. Then cross out the relative pronouns in the sentences where you can leave them out.

5 Complete the text with relative pronouns. Use a pronoun only where necessary. Cross out the gap where you do not need the pronoun.

Unfriend phobia

Have you experienced times ¹..... you hold the cursor over 'Unfriend' on someone's Facebook profile, but just can't make the click ²..... will remove them from your friends list? If the answer is 'yes', you might be someone ³..... suffers from 'unfriend phobia'. So what is it ⁴..... makes us avoid unfriending people? Well, we often try to do it at a time ⁵..... we know that someone is very busy and might not notice, and that shows what we're afraid of. If the person ⁶..... you unfriend notices, what will they do about it? Will they be angry?

But why do we care? These are people ⁷..... we don't want to be friends with any more! They're often people ⁸..... you should never have added as a friend in the first place! They're the people ⁹..... status updates appear every few minutes, telling you things ¹⁰..... you really don't want to know. With some of them, it's difficult to imagine ever being in a place ¹¹..... you'll see them again, so what are you worried about? Perhaps you feel it's better to know about everything ¹²..... happens to all the people you know, even if they're your enemies rather than friends. And it's easy to ignore the things ¹³..... they post, except all those photos! As one boy said, 'I keep seeing photos of my sister ¹⁴..... show her kissing her boyfriend. Ugh! I sometimes want to unfriend *and* unfamily her!'

6 CHALLENGE! Complete the sentences so that they are true for you. Use relative pronouns.

- 1 I'm the kind of person
- 2 My school is a place
- 3 Mathematics is a subject
- 4 Sunday morning is the time
- 5 is the town
- 6 My friend,, is someone