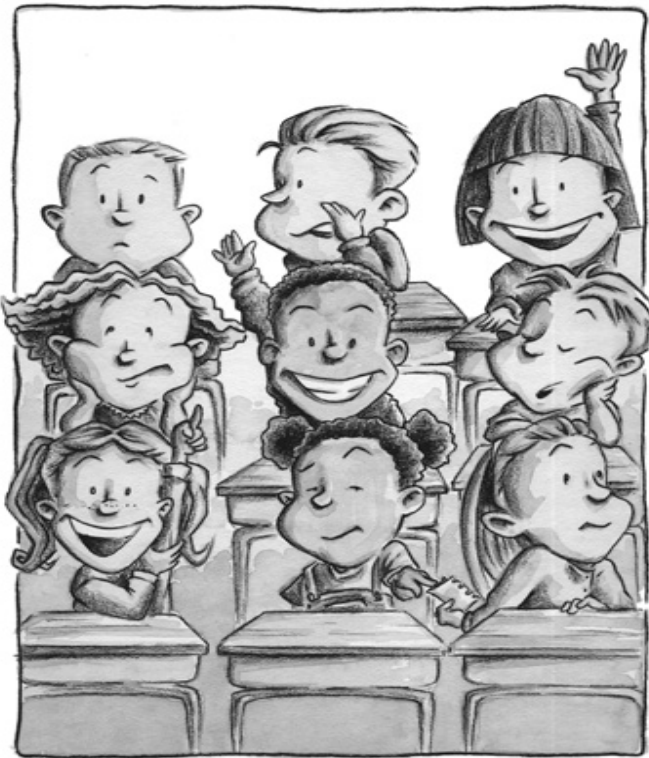


# RELATIVE PRONOUNS



## 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. \_\_\_\_\_

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!