

## Graded grammar worksheet



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## Relative pronouns



**You are interviewing your uncle for a school project. Complete the interview transcript by writing the correct relative pronouns.**

**Q:** What is your job?

**A:** I'm a pharmacist. A pharmacist is a trained person (1) \_\_\_\_\_ prepares and gives out medicine in a hospital or shop. This is the medicine (2) \_\_\_\_\_ a doctor tells you to take. You can't buy it without a doctor's permission.

**Q:** I see. Why did you choose this profession?

**A:** I've always enjoyed science, (3) \_\_\_\_\_ is the study of the natural and physical world. At university, I had a professor (4) \_\_\_\_\_ job was to give career advice to students. I took his advice and became a pharmacist.

**Q:** OK. Let's talk about your personal life. Who was your childhood hero?

**A:** I liked Michael Jackson, (5) \_\_\_\_\_ was an American pop singer and dancer. He was an artist (6) \_\_\_\_\_ influence on pop music still lives on.

**Q:** Wow! I didn't know pop music was a type of music (7) \_\_\_\_\_ you enjoy! Who do you look up to today?

**A:** I really admire Stephen Hawking, (8) \_\_\_\_\_ is a scientist and author. He can't move or speak on his own, but he has a special wheelchair (9) \_\_\_\_\_ can speak for him. He is someone (10) \_\_\_\_\_ research and theories have changed the way we look at the world and outer space.

## Defining relative clauses



**You are writing a summary of a survey you conducted. Complete the summary by writing the correct relative pronouns.**

We conducted a survey (1) \_\_\_\_\_ (aim/to find out about what teens like doing). The following is a summary of the survey results.

Teens (2) \_\_\_\_\_ (like/using social media) made up 55% of the respondents. For teens (3) \_\_\_\_\_ (parents have bought them a tablet), the number increases to 100%. The teens (4) \_\_\_\_\_ (not use/social media every day) still said they use it at least twice a week.

The hobby (5) \_\_\_\_\_ (be/the second most popular) was playing video games. 63% of the boys surveyed like to play video games as a hobby. The games (6) \_\_\_\_\_ (the boys/like to play) include action and adventure games. Of the girls surveyed, 42% like to play

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video games as a hobby as well. The girls (7) \_\_\_\_\_  
(take/the survey) tended to prefer puzzle and simulation games.  
Another popular hobby for teens is shopping with friends. The teens (8) \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ (free time/include weekly  
shopping trips with friends) were in the most sociable group. This accounted for  
17% of those surveyed.

## Non-defining relative clauses



**You are drafting a biography about J.K. Rowling. Improve your draft by combining the sentences with non-defining relative clauses.**

- 1 J.K. Rowling was born in 1965. She is a British author.  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 2 She is best known for writing the Harry Potter books. They have sold over 400 million copies worldwide.  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 3 Rowling started writing the Harry Potter series in 1990. She came up with the idea on a delayed train trip.  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 4 Rowling's writing was inspired by her mother. Rowling's mother died in December of 1990.  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 5 The first Harry Potter book came out in 1997. It was called *Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone*.  
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- 6 12 different publishers rejected the first book. The book was later published in the UK by Bloomsbury.  
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- 7 The books in the Harry Potter series have won many awards. The books have been turned into films.  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 8 Rowling has the same birthday as Harry Potter. Rowling's birthday is 31 July.  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 9 Rowing wrote her first book for adults in 2012. The book was called *The Casual Vacancy*.  
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- 10 Rowling used the pen name Robert Galbraith for a crime novel. Rowling did not want people to know who she was.  
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## Nouns with and without articles



**You are writing a diary entry about your day. Complete the diary entry using 'a', 'an' or 'the'. Write a cross (X) if you do not need an article.**

Dear Diary,

I had (1) \_\_\_\_\_ exciting day today. First, I went with my parents to (2) \_\_\_\_\_ Hong Kong Museum of History in (3) \_\_\_\_\_ Tsim Sha Tsui. We went there by (4) \_\_\_\_\_ MTR.

I saw (5) \_\_\_\_\_ exhibit that showed what life was like hundreds of years ago in (6) \_\_\_\_\_ Hong Kong. It was really cool!

After (7) \_\_\_\_\_ lunch, we paid a visit to Uncle Simon, who was hospitalized yesterday. We took (8) \_\_\_\_\_ MTR there. We brought him (9) \_\_\_\_\_ magazines and snacks to cheer him up.

Before we went (10) \_\_\_\_\_ home, we saw *Independence Day: Resurgence*. It is (11) \_\_\_\_\_ film about an alien spaceship, which is as large as (12) \_\_\_\_\_ Atlantic Ocean, attacking humans. The film is not too bad, but I think the plot could be better.

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### Consolidation



**You are writing an email to a new student at your school. Proofread your email. Underline the mistakes and write the correct words on the lines on the right. Insert any missing words or commas using a ^ . Cross out any extra words and put a cross (X) on the lines on the right.**

Dear Josh,

How are you? Let me tell you more about our school and your classmates.

The boy which sits in front of you is named Eric. He is (1) \_\_\_\_\_  
the talkative person. He can talk non-stop for an hour! (2) \_\_\_\_\_

Yuchiko who is half Chinese and half Japanese, is the girl (3) \_\_\_\_\_  
whose sits next to you. She is kind and friendly. That's why (4) \_\_\_\_\_  
we all voted her to be a class captain. (5) \_\_\_\_\_

Our English teacher, who is from America is Mr Ross. He is (6) \_\_\_\_\_  
adventurous. He went on several treks in Himalayas. Our (7) \_\_\_\_\_  
Maths teacher, who name is the same as my dad's, is very (8) \_\_\_\_\_  
humorous. Mr Leung, whose is the youngest teacher in our (9) \_\_\_\_\_  
school, is our Chinese teacher. He graduated from the (10) \_\_\_\_\_  
university last year. He is fashionable. He often wears the (11) \_\_\_\_\_  
clothes who never go out of style. (12) \_\_\_\_\_

The canteen, whose is a place we buy snacks and drinks, is (13) \_\_\_\_\_  
on the ground floor. We usually have the lunch there too. (14) \_\_\_\_\_

A library is on the first floor. There is a wide variety of books (15) \_\_\_\_\_  
and the magazines for students to borrow. (16) \_\_\_\_\_

We have a study group who meets on Tuesdays and (17) \_\_\_\_\_

Thursdays. We learn a lot from each other while having the (18) \_\_\_\_\_  
fun at the same time. Join us if you are interested!

Cheers,

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