

Adjective Clause Practice

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A. Fill the blanks with relative pronouns if necessary.

1. Can you remember the girl _____ showed you the way?
2. The dog _____ we heard last night is a bulldog.
3. The friends _____ you are living with phoned you yesterday.
4. The money _____ we spend on magazines should be spent on books.
5. The doctor _____ visited your mother is very famous.
6. Where is the library _____ you borrowed those books from?
7. People _____ live in glass houses shouldn't throw stones.
8. The street _____ leads to the school is being repaired.
9. Here is the man _____ dog bit you.
10. I know somebody _____ lives in the town where you were born.
11. The key _____ you were looking for was behind the cupboard.
12. The town _____ we've just passed through was completely destroyed during the war.
13. That's the poet _____ poems are so successful.
14. The plane _____ has just landed comes from Paris.
15. I had my passport in the suitcase _____ I lost.
16. The chair _____ you are sitting on belonged to my grandmother.
17. The oranges _____ I bought yesterday aren't very good.
18. That's the toy _____ my son enjoys playing with.

B. Combine each of these pairs of sentences so that the second becomes a non-defining relative clause.

1. Our television set is always making funny noises. It cost us a lot of money.
2. Mr. Green is going to retire. The students like him very much.
3. A history of the town will be published soon. People know nothing about it.
4. Picasso is known all over the world now. His paintings were not understood at first.
5. The final exams happened to be very easy. I feared them too much.
6. I'm going to visit Brazil. I don't know anything at all about it.
7. The storm damaged the truck. Its driver is a friend of mine.
8. We couldn't climb that mountain. Its summit is always covered with snow.
9. Juan speaks English very well. His mother is Swedish.
10. Their story sounds incredible. It is true.
11. My uncle Tom will be arriving tomorrow. You've heard a lot about him.
12. Sardines are very nourishing. They are cheap.

13. I met Arthur Jones. His book on sports sells very well.

14. John did most of the work. He is very clever.

15. Valery came home yesterday. It was a pleasant surprise.

C. Combine the following pair or groups of sentences, using relative pronouns.

1. Tom had been driving all day. He was tired and wanted to stop.

2. Ann had been sleeping in the back of the car. She felt quite fresh and wanted to go on.

3. Paul wanted to take the mountain road. His tires were nearly new.

4. Mary didn't know anything about mountains. She thought it would be quite safe to climb alone.

5. Jack's tires were very old. He wanted to stick to the hard road.

6. He gave orders to his lieutenants. The lieutenants passed them on to the soldiers.

7. She said that the men were thieves. This turned out to be true.

8. The matter was reported to the Chief of Police. He ordered us all to be arrested.

9. In prison they fed us on dry bread. This didn't make us very happy.

10. We slept in the same room as a handcuffed prisoner. His handcuffs rattled every time he moved.

11. We lit a fire. It soon dried out our clothes.

12. They rowed across the Atlantic. This had never been done before.

13. The truck crashed into a bus-load of schoolchildren. They all survived.

14. She refuses to use machines. This makes her work more arduous.

15. I met Mary. She asked me to give you this.

16. The women prayed aloud all night. This kept us awake.

17. The riverbed is uneven and you may be in shallow water one moment and in deep water the next. This makes it unsafe for non-swimmers.

18. Mary said that there should be a notice up warning people. Mary's children couldn't swim.

19. Ann said that there were far too many notices. Ann's children could swim very well.

20. He paid me \$50 for cleaning ten windows. They were all very dirty.