



Grammar

Relative pronouns, adverbs & clauses – Exercises

Exercise 1: Complete the sentence with one of these relative pronouns or adverbs: who, whom, whose, which, that, where, when, why.

Example:

This is the actor **whose** name was mentioned.

1. You can start your letter by writing: 'To it may concern'.
2. These are the people wrote to me.
3. This is the colleague proposal was accepted.
4. Is this the artist you were talking about?
5. The contract says: 'Write directly to the person with you negotiated the price.'
6. There are politicians I have a lot of respect for.
7. Have you seen the vase I bought yesterday?
8. There were many paintings colours had faded.
9. Is this the company makes electric cars?
10. This book, the author of is unknown, is highly popular.
11. There's a paragraph here explains the procedure.
12. This is the newspaper editor is a friend of mine.
13. I don't know the date on we must leave.
14. That was the week I worked 70 hours.
15. There's a site you can find all the information.
16. There are many reasons for I should quit this job.
17. That was the year it snowed in May.
18. I don't know the reason our flight is delayed.
19. This is the office I work.
20. Is this the box in I must sign?

Exercise 2: Replace the highlighted words using one of the following: what, how, where, when, why.

Example:

This is **the reason for which** we are here.

... This is **why** we are here. ...



1. **The place to which** I go is none of your business.
2. Do you remember **the time at which** we left?
3. I can't see **the thing that** is written on that sign.
4. I don't know **the way in which** to spell her name.
5. **The thing which** has happened is not my fault.

Exercise 3: Decide if we must keep the highlighted word / clause, or we can drop it.

Examples:

- He's the manager **who** spoke to me. **keep**
- He's the manager **who** I spoke to. **drop**
- He's the manager **who was hired last year**. **keep**
- My manager, **who was hired last year, is really nice**. **drop**

1. This is the bill **that** I paid last month.
2. This is the invoice **that** arrived yesterday.
3. Is this the restaurant **where** you have all your meals?
4. She remembers the day **when** the war started.
5. Is this the lawyer **who** you have consulted?
6. There were some trees **whose** branches were broken.
7. We found an organisation **that** was able to help us.
8. I know a mechanic **who** can fix your car.
9. This is the software **which** I was telling you about.
10. The number **which** ends in 8 is the correct number.
11. This number, **which is an odd number**, is correct.
12. Flat 3, **whose owner is a friend of ours**, is for sale.
13. The flat **whose owner is abroad** is for sale.
14. My youngest daughter, **who is a nurse**, is getting married.
15. My daughter **who is a nurse** is my youngest child.