### **RELATIVE SENTENCES**

The relative pronouns are: who, which, that, whom, whose, when, where, what.

## Defining and non-defining relative clauses.-

- A.-The matches that/which fell in the pond are wet.(defining relative clause)
- B.-The matches, which fell in the pond, are wet.(non defining relative clause)

# The non-defining clause goes between commas, we can't use that (only which, who....), it simply explains

that <u>all</u> the matches fell in the pond .We cannot omit any relative pronoun.

## Defining relative clauses.-

1) It was Mike.He heard the news.....It was Mike who/that heard the news.

### (subject)

2) I live in a house. It stands on a hill...... I live in a house which/that stands on a hill.

# (subject)

3) I've got a book.You were looking for it....I've got a book (which/that) you were looking for.

### (object) We can omit the relative

4) This is the girl.You met her last year.....This is the girl (who/that/whom) you met last year.

- 5) That is Mary.You met her sister yesterday......That is Mary whose sister you met yesterday
- 6) WHAT(the noun+relative pronoun)
- Ex.-The thing that I like most is a P.C.

What I like most is a PC.

- 7) WHICH refers to a whole sentence that comes before.
- Ex.-Sally married George, which made Paul unhappy.

#### JOIN THESE SENTENCES BY MEANS OF RELATIVE PRONOUNS .-

If the relative pronoun is unnecessary, put it in brackets. You may sometimes have to change the word order or change 'a' into 'the'.

- 1. The book is on the table. It has a red cover.
- 2. Ann lost the money. It belonged to her uncle.
- 3. This is the music.I've listened to it many times.
- 4. Peter is going to marry a girl, Her sister is in my class.
- 5. Tell me about that man. His letter was published in the newspaper.
- 6. I met a Japanese tourist.He lives north of Tokyo.
- 7. You are studying with a pupil.He is very clever. The pupil......
- 8.I was sitting on a chair.It collapsed. The chair.....
- 9.Last summer I met uncle David.He invited us to visit him in South Africa.
- 10.The castle stands above the town.It was built by the Normans.
- 11.-There's the boy. He broke the window.

- 1. The film star gave a party. It cost \$10,000
- 2. That's the palace. The Queen lives in it.
- 3. You met a man at the party. He is a famous film star. The man...
- 4. My friend came to the party. He's a policeman
- 5. There are the policemen. They caught the thief.
- 6. What's the name of the lady? She was wearing the blue dress
- 7. I gave her a watch. It stopped after two days.
- 8. My car was very expensive. It's a Mercedes.
- 9. You're reading a book. I wanted to read it.
- 10. The Red Lion is a pub. We met in it for a drink.
- 11. There's someone at the door. He wants to speak to George.
- 12. Here are the letters. They arrived this morning.
- 13. I met Mr Da Silva. He is President of Brazil
- 14. It's very spicy food. I don't like it.
- 15. That's the house. I was born in it.
- 16. That's the dictionary. Bill gave it to me for Christmas.
- 17. Where is the lady? She ordered fish.
- 18. Those are the cars. They only take unleaded petrol.
- 19. The children went to New York. They speak English.
- 20. Do you know the children? They live in that house.
- 21. Do you like the people. Sarah invited them to her party.
- 22. The clothes come from C&A. They are good quality.