

A VISUAL ARTIST IS A PERSON WHO CREATES VISUAL ART

DEFINING RELATIVE CLAUSES



Vocabulary:

We are studying: en este contexto, quiere decir estudiaremos

Relative clauses: cláusulas relativas. Más abajo encontrarás la definición

Teaches: enseña

1. Look at the comic strip and decide if the following sentences are true or false.

1. They are studying animals. T / F
2. The students have to complete sentences. T / F
3. The girl uses the correct form of 'be'. T / F
4. The teacher does not correct her mistakes. T / F
5. The girl likes the teacher. T / F

2. Study the grammar:

I don't like the animal that teaches me English.

Una cláusula relativa definida es un grupo de palabras que no llegan a ser una oración, pero agregan información sobre lo que se está hablando o definen eso de lo que se está hablando.

¿Podés identificar en la oración tomada del comic:

- de qué o quién se está hablando? ...
- cuál es la cláusula relativa definida? ...
- el elemento que une lo que se habla con lo que agrega información o define?...



La parte principal de la oración es la **cláusula principal o main clause** y allí se encuentra el sujeto (eso de lo que se habla): **I don't like the animal**

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De lo que se habla

El elemento que une la cláusula principal con la cláusula relativa definida se llama **pronombre relativo o relative pronoun** y es el sujeto de la cláusula relativa: **that**

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Relative pronoun

La **cláusula relativa definida o defining relative clause** viene inmediatamente después del pronombre relativo:

teaches me English
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Cláusula relativa definida

En el ejemplo estudiado, la cláusula relativa, agrega información. Veamos ahora un ejemplo donde la cláusula define:

A visual artist is a person who creates visual art.
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Main clause relative relative clause
pronoun

Podemos ver que la estructura es la misma, pero la defining relative clause en vez de explicar o describir algo, lo define.

Detengámonos ahora en los **relative pronouns**. Estudiemos los dos ejemplos:

I don't like the animal that teaches me English.

A visual artist is a person who creates visual art.

A simple vista podemos notar que los relative pronouns (ponombres relativos) en las dos oraciones son

- a) los mismos b) diferentes

¿Por qué? (Tip: mirá la primera y la sexta viñeta del comic)

¿Qué podemos decir de estos pronombres (en qué casos o acompañando a qué sujetos usamos cada uno de ellos)?

¿Podés completar la tabla?

	Relative pronouns
People	
Things , animals, plants, ideas	
Places	
Possession	

EXERCISES:

1. Choose the correct relative pronoun.

- a. That's the office **which / where** the 3D artists work.
- b. Development teams usually have a lead designer **whose /who** coordinates the work of other designers.
- c. Mario is an Italian plumber **which / who** lives in the Mushroom Kingdom.
- d. Game developers are people **who / whose** job is to develop games.
- e. A game level is an area of the game **that / where** has specific challenges and characters or creatures.
- f. A platform game is a game **that /where** characters run and jump on platforms.

2. Complete with the correct relative pronoun:

- a. A game programmer is a software engineer... job is to write video games software.
- b. A video game is an electronic game... involves interaction with a user interface or a joystick.
- c. A joystick is an upright handle... you use to control a computer game.
- d. Sound engineers are technical professionals... are responsible for sound effects.
- e. The Mushroom Kingdom is a place... Mario has a house.
- f. God of War is a video game series... Sony creates and distributes.
- g. Deemo II takes place in a world... rain never stops.
- h. Mario is a character... powers are only temporary.



3. Match **a** to **h** with **1** to **8** and complete with **who, that, where or which**.



- a. Photosynthesis is a process
- b. Magnetism is a force
- c. Gravity is a force
- d. An astronomer is a person
- e. Hydrogen is a gas
- f. A thermometer is an instrument
- g. A laboratory is a place
- h. A microscope is an element



GRAVITY

- 1. ... attracts bodies with mass.
- 2. ... we use to look at very small things.
- 3. **that / which** plants use to make food.
- 4. ... we use to measure temperature.
- 5. ... studies space.
- 6. ... we do scientific experiments.
- 7. ... explodes easily
- 8. ... attracts objects containing iron.



4. Read the definitions and guess the objects:

Twine – Mario – the printing press – the microchip - Prices Zelda - joystick - hospital -

- a. This is the device that you use to play video games.
- b. This is a machine that makes books, magazines and newspapers.
- c. It is a small piece of silicon that makes computer work.
- d. This is the place where doctors and nurses work.
- e. It is one of the top ten video game design and software 2021.
- f. The name of the video game character whose magical powers are teleportation, telepathy and precognition.
- g. The name of the video game character whose main power is superhuman strength.