Relative Clauses Continuation

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Let's review

The following relative pronouns are used in relative clauses. These relative pronouns appear at the start of the relative clause and refer to a noun that appears earlier in the sentence.

	Person	Thing	Place	Time	Reason
Subject	who/that	which/that			
Object	who/whom /that	which/that	where	when	why
Possessive	whose	whose			

Omission

▶ Sometimes relative pronouns can be omitted.

▶ The relative pronoun can <u>only</u> be omitted when it is the **object** of the clause.

▶ When the relative pronoun is the **subject** of the clause, it <u>cannot</u> be omitted.

▶ A relative pronoun is the object of the clause because it is followed by another subject + verb.

Examples

- Look at the two examples

Noun, subject of the main clause	+relative pronoun	+verb + rest of relative clause	+verb + rest of main clause
The woman	that	spoke at the meeting	was very knowledgeable.
The woman	(that)	the man loved	was living in New York.

More examples

- An ambulance came to take the climber (***whom***) I helped.
- The hunter (***who***) my sister saw in the woods was caught by the police.
- The train (***which***) she was about to take was late.
- This is the terminal (***that***) I told you about.
- That's the seat (***which***) my ticket has written on it.

Let's Practice

Practice

1. Decide whether the relative pronouns must be used or not. Write "necessary" or "not necessary" next to each sentence.

a) The book which is on the table belongs to Brandon.

b) The museum which we visited last month is closed now.

c) The man who you saw in the house is my cousin.

d) Bob, who I know very well, is going out with Mary.

e) I cannot forget the song which they played last night.

Practice

f) The woman who is talking to Sue is my aunt.

g) I cannot remember the hotel that we stayed at.

h) Lucy, who I haven't seen for ages, rang me last night.

i) A person that you don't trust won't trust you either.

j) My father, whom I helped to install his computer, always forgets his password.

THANKS!