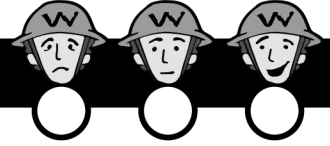


I can use relative clauses.



A **relative clause** is a specific type of subordinate clause that adds extra information about a noun. Relative clauses start with **who, which** or **that**.

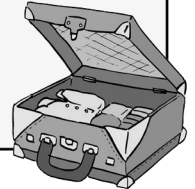
Who is used for people. **I thought about Mum who would be waiting for me at the station.**

Which is used for animals, places and things. **Mrs Brown gave me some clothes which I packed in a small suitcase.**

That can refer to people or things. **They had an outside toilet that was cold and damp.**

A relative clause can also be an embedded clause if it is placed in the middle of the sentence.

The teachers, who were all on edge, were too busy to notice.



Underline the relative clauses in the sentences below.

- 1 Imagine my disappointment when I saw that the person shouting my name was the policeman who had interrogated me the day before.
- 2 He went straight up to the teacher who was in charge of the evacuees.
- 3 He asked to look at the register that she was still holding in her hands.
- 4 We were now approaching the station which was crowded with children from other schools.
- 5 However, there was no sign of the camera crew which I had expected to be there.

Write your own relative clauses to complete these sentences.

- 6 My mum, _____, was also nowhere to be seen.
- 7 Scared that the policeman would arrest me, I ran towards a class of children _____
_____.
- 8 Their teachers, _____, didn't notice me join the line.
- 9 I could hardly believe my eyes when an engine, _____
_____, steamed into the station.
- 10 A young man, _____, dropped his newspaper in front of me.
- 11 I quickly picked it up and looked at the date _____
- 12 The year was 1940: the same numbers displayed on my mobile _____
- 13 It then occurred to me that the events of the last few days, _____
_____, were real.

I had gone back in time!

Extension Identify all the relative clauses in the passage.

