



# Relative clauses

## Defining relative clauses

- 1** Choose the best answers to complete the sentences.
- That stage is *when / where* she sang in public for the first time.
  - February 1998 was *when / which* she was born.
  - Lorna Kilcoyne is the girl *who / whose* sister is in a girl band.
  - This is the electric guitar *which / when* I bought two years ago.
  - Carl is the boy *who / whose* formed the band.
  - 'Continue' is the first song *where / which* they wrote together.
  - They formed the band *where / when* they were at primary school.
  - That's the teacher *who / which* taught them to play the guitar.

- 2** Match the parts of the sentences 1–6 with a–f and complete them using a relative pronoun.
- I live in a house ... \_\_\_\_
  - Vanesa is my friend ... \_\_\_\_
  - Summertime Sadness* is a song ... \_\_\_\_
  - I like to go to clubs ... \_\_\_\_
  - The summer of 2012 was ... \_\_\_\_
  - I met someone ... \_\_\_\_
- a \_\_\_\_\_ brother had been to see *The Rolling Stones*.  
 b \_\_\_\_\_ Lana del Rey sings.  
 c \_\_\_\_\_ people sing live.  
 d \_\_\_\_\_ we saw our first live concert.  
 e \_\_\_\_\_ there are two bedrooms.  
 f \_\_\_\_\_ wants you to get her a concert ticket too.

- 3** Complete the sentences with the correct relative pronoun.
- She studied music there.  
I met a girl \_\_\_\_\_
  - It was fantastic.  
We went to a festival \_\_\_\_\_
  - I started singing professionally.  
2015 is the year \_\_\_\_\_
  - That bass guitar cost €500.  
Jane is the guitarist \_\_\_\_\_
  - I got a guitar for my tenth birthday.  
That's the guitar \_\_\_\_\_
  - He writes the songs for the band.  
That's the man \_\_\_\_\_

# Non-defining relative clauses

- 4** Are the following sentences defining or non-defining? Put *D* if they are defining or *ND* if they are non-defining.
- My brother, who lives near my parents, bought some new furniture recently. \_\_\_\_
  - The guitar which he bought last summer was very expensive. \_\_\_\_
  - Some of the musicians who play in the underground sound very professional. \_\_\_\_
  - When I saw Coldplay in concert, I cried. \_\_\_\_
  - The concert which I went to was choir music. \_\_\_\_
  - The music teacher, who is very organised, is preparing us for a Christmas carol concert. \_\_\_\_
  - I remember the time when we didn't have to study so much. \_\_\_\_
  - Ken, whose girlfriend plays in a band, sits next to me in class. \_\_\_\_

- 5** Match the parts of the sentences 1–5 with a–e.
- Dan gave me my first MP3 player, ... \_\_\_\_
  - Dan, ... , is very generous. \_\_\_\_
  - Dan is a happy person ... \_\_\_\_
  - He lives in Norwich, ... \_\_\_\_
  - Dan, ... , plays concerts every weekend. \_\_\_\_
- a who is my best friend  
 b where I have never been.  
 c when he is singing.  
 d whose band is very successful  
 e which I haven't stopped using.

- 6** Write the sentences with the correct relative pronoun.
- My mother has a new job. It is very demanding.  
\_\_\_\_\_
  - I won't see my friend for a long time. He lives in Damascus.  
\_\_\_\_\_
  - I belong to an orchestra. It has 40 members.  
\_\_\_\_\_
  - Next year I'm going to New York. My father is working there.  
\_\_\_\_\_
  - I went to a concert. It was in a big concert hall.  
\_\_\_\_\_
  - My uncle's house is being renovated. It was built in 1876.  
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  - Luke's sister is a dancer. She dances flamenco.  
\_\_\_\_\_
  - My dad's record collection has been in the attic for many years. It is amazing.  
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