

NON-DEFINING RELATIVE CLAUSES



Form a relative sentence by writing the second sentence into the first one.

*Eg. Sam is one of my best friends. He had a terrible accident two months ago.
Sam, who had a terrible accident two months ago, is one of my best friends.*

1. Jack and Jules had been going out together for five years. They broke up last month.

2. My cousin has been brought up by our grandparents. His parents died in a car accident when he was four years old.

3. My friend Mary will never let me down. She's been by my side in my worst moments.

4. Megan was quite inconsiderate when she refused to help you. She's known to be a bit selfish.

5. She was told off by her teacher after throwing a paper ball at her friend in class. The teacher saw it all.

6. Martin's children have sparkling almond-shaped eyes. Their faces are round like their mother's.

7. Samuel lost all his hair. He underwent chemotherapy treatment.

8. Mary has an imaginative personality. She is also decisive and bold.

9. We ran out of money before the month was over. This was a setback we could fix with our savings.

10. I had to sort out all the files in the office. For this reason I was late.

11. Sometimes assistants, whose level of patience is really high, have to put up with moody bosses.

12. My grandma was a wise woman. Her favourite saying was 'not all that glitters is gold'.

13. The Canary Islands are known for their tropical climate and friendly people. We usually go there in the summer.

14. His sister in law had been emailing me before I met her. She's a prominent athlete.

15. My parents have made many sacrifices to help me when I needed it. I owe them all my success.

16. I can't afford to buy a detached house on the outskirts. This is the most expensive area.

17. My friends are friendly and would love you to go with them to the party. You met them at the coffee shop.

18. John is now starting his own business. He has always loved entrepreneurship.

19. We toured the Mediterranean on a luxury cruise. I had the best holidays ever there.

20. The portrait of my great-grandparents is hung on the dining room's wall. It was painted in 1925.

ANSWER KEY

1. Jack and Jules, who broke up last month, had been going out together for five years.
2. My cousin, whose parents died in a car accident when he was four years old, has been brought up by our grandparents.
3. My friend Mary, who has been by my side in my worst moments, will never let me down.
4. Megan, who is known to be a bit selfish, was quite inconsiderate when she refused to help you.
5. She was told off by her teacher, who saw it all, after throwing a paper ball at her friend in class.
6. Martin's children, whose faces are round like their mother's, have sparkling almond-shaped eyes.
7. Samuel, who underwent chemotherapy treatment, lost all his hair.
8. Mary, who is also decisive and bold, has an imaginative personality,
9. We ran out of money before the month was over, which was a setback we could fix with our savings.
10. I had to sort out all the files in the office, which is why I was late.
11. Sometimes assistants, whose level of patience is really high, have to put up with moody bosses.
12. My grandma, whose favourite saying was 'not all that glitters is gold', was a wise woman.
13. The Canary Islands, where we usually go in the summer, are known for their tropical climate and friendly people.
14. His sister in law, who is a prominent athlete, had been emailing me before I met her.
15. My parents, who I owe all my success to, have made many sacrifices to help me when I needed it. *Also:* My parents, to whom I owe all my success, have made many sacrifices to help me when I needed it.
16. I can't afford to buy a detached house on the outskirts, which is the most expensive area.
17. My friends, who/ whom you met at the coffee shop, are friendly and would love you to go with them to the party.
18. John, who has always loved entrepreneurship, is now starting his own business.
19. We toured the Mediterranean on a luxury cruise, where I had the best holidays ever.
20. The portrait of my great-grandparents, which was painted in 1925, hangs from the dining room's wall.