

# Fast five

- Punctuate this speech correctly.
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# Answers

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Can I use Relative Clauses  
in my writing?

# What is a relative clause.

- Simple sentences have one main clause containing a **subject** and a **verb**.
- **John** was **playing** the piano.
- The sentence makes sense on its own. The problem is that these type of sentences can be very boring. If we want to include extra information about the subject we could use a relative clause.

# John was playing piano. He was in the hall.

- Relative clauses give us extra information about the noun and are connected by a relative pronoun.
- John, **who was in the hall**, was playing the piano.

Where else could he be or what could he be doing? See if you can write 2 similar sentences.

- John, **who was smiling**, was playing the piano.

John, **who was in the hall**, was playing the piano.

- **who was in the hall** this doesn't make sense on its own because it is a subordinate clause.
- What other relative pronouns are there?
- Who
- That
- Which
- Whose
- Whom

# Your turn

- Can you add a relative clause to these sentences?
- 1. The man was scared.
- 2. the little girl was playing happily.
- 3. The dog was barking extremely loudly.
- 4. The little ship was being blown softly across the water.

# Changing the position of the relative clause

- Remember a relative clause does not always need to be in the middle of a sentence.
- I ran quickly towards the old oak tree, **which had stood in that spot for hundreds of years.**
- We didn't bring the receipt, **which was a huge mistake.**

# Tasks

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- Add relative clauses to these sentences and underline the relative pronoun.

The penguin was crying.

Mary was unhappy.

The tree was badly damaged.

The wand moved heroically.

**Yellow** – Study this picture. Write 6 sentences using relative clauses. Think of the nouns first eg the octopus, the boat, the rescuers etc



**Green** - Study this picture. Write 6 sentences using relative clauses. Think of the nouns first eg the octopus, the boat, the rescuers etc  
Can you vary the position of your relative clause within your sentence?

