RULE SHEET

Relative clauses



A **relative clause** gives more information about a person or a thing. It comes right after the noun: The girl **who sings in the band** is my cousin.

who, which, that

Pronoun	For	Example
who	people	A dentist is a person **who** looks after teeth.
which	things and animals	This is the phone **which** I got for my birthday.
that	people, things and animals	The boy **that** won the race is twelve. · The cake **that** Mum made was great.

Joining sentences

- I have a cousin. **She** lives in Canada. → I have a cousin **who** lives in Canada.
- Here is the book. You wanted **it**. → Here is the book **which** you wanted. (or: the book you wanted)

Watch out! Not **what**: the book **which** I read (not: the book what I read). · No extra pronoun: the girl who lives here (not: the girl who **she** lives here). · Verb form: a person who **helps** – people who **help**. · If a new subject follows (we, Mum), you can leave out who, which or that: the film (that) **we** saw. Not: the boy won the race.

PRACTICE 1

Name: _____ Class: _____ Date: _____

who or which?

1 Tick who or which.

1. the girl _____ plays the piano ○ who ○ which
2. the computer _____ I use at school ○ who ○ which
3. the teacher _____ helps me with maths ○ which ○ who
4. the song _____ I love ○ which ○ who
5. the shop _____ sells bikes ○ who ○ which
6. the man _____ repairs our car ○ who ○ which
7. the apple _____ I ate ○ which ○ who
8. the friends _____ come to my party ○ which ○ who

2 Match the jobs and the definitions.

1. ☐ a chef
2. ☐ a farmer
3. ☐ a vet
4. ☐ a waiter
5. ☐ a plumber

a. someone who helps sick animals
b. someone who cooks in a restaurant
c. someone who repairs water pipes
d. someone who grows food
e. someone who brings food to your table
f. someone who flies planes