

Adjective Clauses - Practice

Add the appropriate pronoun (*who, whom, whose, where, that, which*) to the following sentences.

*For screen reader users: Blanks will be indicated by a * sign.*

- 1) The student, * _____ I first met in France, speaks French.
- 2) Marseille, * _____ I lived when I was a child, is a port city on the Mediterranean.
- 3) The book, * _____ you spilled coffee on, was irreplaceable.
- 4) The book, * _____ was published in 1980, is about her childhood experiences in Yucatan.
- 5) My friend, * _____ name is Wendy, is from Oaxaca.
- 6) The house, * _____ Norman Bethune was raised, is popular with Chinese tourists.
- 7) Norman Bethune, * _____ was the subject of an essay by Mao Tse Tung, is almost unknown in Canada.

Answers: 1. whom, 2. where, 3. that, 4. which, 5. whose, 6. where, 7. who.

Punctuation of Adjective Clauses

Correctly punctuate the following sentences by adding commas.

When I was seventeen, I travelled to Anamur which is a city on the Mediterranean coast of Turkey. The people whom I met there spoke Turkish which is a Ural-Altaic language. Turkic languages are spoken in several countries: Azerbaijan, Iran, Turkey, Kazakhstan, and Uzbekistan. Uighur which is widely spoken in the west of China is also a Turkic language. Uighur which is written using the Arabic script is very close to Turkish as it is spoken in Turkey. Linguists that study Turkish have come to the conclusion that Finnish, Turkish, Korean, and Hungarian are all related. All of these languages which might appear to be very different actually share several characteristics. All of them are agglutinative languages that make use of suffixes to change the meaning of words. The longest word in Turkish is a word that has an astounding 70 letters:

Muvaffakiyetsizleştiricileştiriveremeyebileceklerimizdenmişsinizcesine! This word is so long because there is almost no limit to the number of suffixes a Turkish speaker can add to a root!

Using *who, whom, whose, which, where, or that*, make adjective clauses. (There is sometimes more than one option for making adjective clauses.)

The student booked an appointment with an English tutor, and the tutor was a business student. = The student booked an appointment with an English tutor **who was a business student.**

- 1) The skater did a backflip. The skater was from Nanaimo.
- 2) We are learning how to use adjective clauses. Adjective clauses are important.
- 3) George Brown College is my school, and I learn English here.
- 4) The winter Olympics are in Sochi; Sochi is the warmest city in Russia.
- 5) Canada's capital is Ottawa. Ottawa is located in Ontario.
- 6) The people of Nunavut speak Inuktitut. Inuktitut is an aboriginal language.
- 7) Nunavut was once part of the Northwest Territories. It separated after a referendum in the 1990s.
- 8) Nunavut is rich in natural resources. Nunavut is famous for its diamonds.
- 9) My cat is a long-haired Persian. My cat's name is Feride.
- 10) Cape Breton is an island in the Atlantic Ocean. It is part of Nova Scotia.