

a person **who** ... a thing **that/which** ...  
(relative clauses 1)

A

I met a woman. **She** can speak six languages.

2 sentences

**she** → **who**

1 sentence

I met **a woman who** can speak six languages.

JACK

Jack was wearing a hat. **It** was too big for him.

2 sentences

**it** → **that or which**

1 sentence

Jack was wearing **a hat that** was too big for him.

or

Jack was wearing **a hat which** was too big for him.

B

**who** is for people (*not* things):A thief is **a person**Do you know **anybody****The man****The people****who** steals things.**who** can play the piano?**who** called**who** work in the office

didn't give his name.

are very friendly.

C

**that** is for things or people:An airplane is **a machine**Emma lives in **a house****The people****that** flies.**that** is 100 years old.**that** work in the office

are very friendly.

You can use **that** for people, but **who** is more common.

D

**which** is for things (*not* people):An airplane is **a machine**Emma lives in **a house****which** flies. (*not* a machine **who** ...)**which** is 100 years old.Do not use **which** for people:

Do you remember **the woman who** played the piano at the party?  
(*not* the woman **which** ...)

# Exercises

99.1

Choose from the boxes and write sentences: **A ... is a person who ...**. Use a dictionary if necessary.

a thief	a dentist
a butcher	a fool
a musician	a genius
a patient	a liar

doesn't tell the truth
takes care of your teeth
is very intelligent
plays a musical instrument

is sick in the hospital
<del>steals things</del>
does stupid things
sells meat

1 A thief is a person who steals things.

2 A butcher is a person .....

3 A musician .....

4 .....

5 .....

6 .....

7 .....

8 .....

99.2

Make one sentence from two.

1 (A man called. He didn't give his name.)

The man who called didn't give his name.

2 (A woman opened the door. She was wearing a yellow dress.)

The woman ..... a yellow dress.

3 (Some students took the test. Most of them passed.)

Most of the students .....

4 (A police officer stopped our car. He wasn't very friendly.)

The .....

99.3

Write **who** or **which**.

1 I met a woman ..... **who** can speak six languages.

2 What's the name of the man ..... just started working in your office?

3 What's the name of the river ..... flows through the town?

4 Where is the picture ..... was hanging on the wall?

5 Do you know anybody ..... wants to buy a car?

6 You always ask questions ..... are difficult to answer.

7 I have a friend ..... is very good at fixing cars.

8 I think everybody ..... went to the party really enjoyed it.

9 Why does he always wear clothes ..... are too small for him?

99.4

Right or wrong? Correct the mistakes.

1 A thief is a person which steals things.

a person who steals

OK

2 An airplane is a machine that flies.

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3 A coffeemaker is a machine who makes coffee.

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4 What happened to the money that was on the table?

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5 I don't like people which never stop talking.

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6 I know somebody that can help you.

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7 I know somebody who works in that store.

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8 Correct the sentences who are wrong.

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9 My neighbor bought a car who cost \$60,000.

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