RELATIVE CLAUSES: EXERCISES

1. Complete these sentences with the correct relative pronoun.   
   **1**. **Brigitte Bardot is a French actress who/that has protested against the**   
   **slaughter of seals.   
   2. The fox is an animal .……………….. can be seen in many British cities.   
   3. Kate is the girl .……………….. father bought a baby crocodile.   
   4. The office .……………….. I work is a branch of the RSPCA.   
   5. Charlie is the hamster .……………….. is fatter than all the rest.   
   6. Mr. Forrester is the butcher .……………….. had his shop window smashed by ALF**   
   **members.   
     
   2. Circle the relative pronouns you could omit in these sentences.**  **1. The girl that we were talking to loves snakes.   
   2. Is that the woman who threw acid at the horses?   
   3. The book which I bought yesterday is about training dogs.   
   4. My friend Simon is the boy whose mother is a professor of zoology.   
   5. Do you know the people who made so much noise at the party last night?   
   6. Have you seen the bag where I keep my football kit?   
     
   3. Join each pair of sentences with a defining relative clause. Omit the pronoun where possible.   
   1. Last week I bought a book. It’s a best-seller.   
   Last week I bought a book which/ that is a best–seller.   
   2. This is the book. I found the information in it.**   
   **4. I didn’t recognise Susan. I talked to her.   
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   5. She hasn’t given me back my book. She borrowed it from me last week.   
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   6. Have you seen the biscuits? They were on the top shelf.   
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   7. A woman gave me the application form. She told me how to fill it out.   
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   **8. The novel is about a child. Her parents die in the jungle.   
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   9. Charles Chaplin was a famous comedian. He directed well-known films.   
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   10 You are going to meet a girl tomorrow. She is intelligent and pretty, too.   
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   11 I bought a new CD. Its songs are by different country music singers.   
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   4. Join each pair of sentences with a non-defining relative clause.   
     
   1. Fur coats are very popular among wealthy women. They produce indignation among animal lovers.**

**Fur coats, which are very popular among wealthy women, produce indignation among animal lovers.   
  
2. My English friends live in Leeds. They work for the RSPCA.   
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3. Harry is very fond of pets. He’s got a dog, a cat, two hamsters and three budgies.   
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**4. My brother studied zoology. He works in a natural history museum.   
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5. The Tower of London is on the River Thames. It is one of the most famous buildings in Britain.   
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**6. Fiesta was written by Ernest Hemingway. It is also called The Sun Also Rises.   
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7. The new tunnel will be opened next month. It is the safest in Europe.   
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8. Michael is still asleep. He stayed up until 4 a.m. watching athletics.   
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9. Tina gave a big party in her house. Her parents were away on business.   
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10. Doris Lessing was born in Persia. She wrote The Golden Notebook.   
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**11. Sara speaks good English. She has never visited England or America.   
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