

Use Relative Pronouns: Who vs. Whom

Relative pronouns introduce relative clauses. A relative clause describes a noun or pronoun. The relative pronouns **who** and **whom** give information about people.

To determine which pronoun to use, restate the relative clause with a personal pronoun. If the clause works with a subject pronoun (*he, she, or they*), use **who**. If the clause works with an object pronoun (*him, her, or them*), use **whom**.

The barber **who works down the street** gives the best haircuts in town.
He works down the street.

Gabrielle, **whom I met for dinner last week**, is a vegetarian.
I met her for dinner last week.



Complete each sentence with the correct relative pronoun. Write your answer on the line.

1. Kristopher, who lived in Denmark until he was ten, speaks three languages.
2. The tutor whom I've been studying geometry with is moving to Arizona at the end of the year.
3. Juliana, who normally wears glasses to school, looks like a different person when she wears her contact lenses instead.
4. The vegetable soup recipe was shared by Sonali, who inherited the recipe from her aunt.
5. Hakim could not remember the name of the customer whom he had helped the day before.
6. Is Abigail, whom we know to be incredibly responsible, available to care for the cats while we're out of town?
7. Roland's cousin met the award-winning artist who is painting a mural downtown.
8. When the server brought us our bill, I offered to pay for Raul, who paid for my lunch last week.
9. Cameron was in shock that he had lost the tennis match to Stefanos, whom he had defeated on several occasions.
10. The kind gentleman who lives in the apartment next to Meagan fosters elderly animals until someone is ready to adopt them.
11. On Friday nights, Matteo watches movies with Kemi, whom he's been friends with ever since they were in preschool.
12. Upon receiving the nomination for Best Picture, the movie director remarked, "I owe the success of this film to its star, Jelena, whom I consider a fabulous actress and an even better friend."