That vs. Which

The word that is used when you're talking about a specific thing.

Cats that have stripes are the cutest.

In this sentence, you use that because you're only talking about cats that have stripes.

Which is used to add information to a sentence. If you leave out the part of the sentence that starts with which, the meaning of the sentence should not change.

The cat, which is a member of the Felidae family, is my favorite kind of animal.

If you get rid of "which is a member of the Felidae family," you can still understand what the speaker is trying to say.

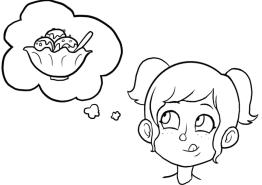
1. My family has a cat (that/which) I named Sundae.



2. She has a coat (that/which) is brown and

orange.

3. The colors, (that/which) reminded me of hot fudge and butterscotch, made me pick the name.



4. The dogs (that/which) live next door bark whenever they see Sundae.

