

**Different ways of learning English relative clause practice  
with needs analysis and learner training**

*Ask questions to put as much info about your partner below as you can (in note form).*

<b>Name of the person answering the question:</b>		
<b>Job (in detail)</b>		
<b>Present</b>	<b>Past</b>	<b>Future</b>
<b>Free time/ Hobbies/ Interests</b>		
<b>Present</b>	<b>Past</b>	<b>Future</b>
<b>Using English at work</b>		
<b>Present</b>	<b>Past</b>	<b>Future</b>
<b>Using English outside work (movies, friends, etc)</b>		
<b>Present</b>	<b>Past</b>	<b>Future</b>
<b>Studying English (including self-study)</b>		
<b>Present</b>	<b>Past</b>	<b>Future</b>

### Useful vocabulary for discussing improving your English

*Use things from this list to extend your discussion above, particularly of (past, present or future) study of English.*

- App(lication)
- Coffee shop
- Community centre
- Conversation exchange
- Conversation school
- Cram school
- Electronic dictionary
- English conversation café
- English conversation club
- English diary
- English subtitles
- English time
- English-English (Intermediate) learner's dictionary
- Fluency practice
- Free con(versation)
- Graded reader
- Idiom
- IELTS
- International party
- Karaoke bar
- Katakana
- Memory techniques
- Minimal pair
- Olympic volunteer
- Phonemic script
- Phrasebook
- Podcast
- Presentation
- Proofreader
- Shadow reading
- Skype teacher
- Social English
- Speech
- TED.com
- Teleconference/ Videoconference
- TOEIC
- Vocabulary notebook
- Workbook (with key)
- Workbook CD

*Ask about anything above which you don't understand or want to hear people's experiences of and views on.*

## Studying English vocabulary and relative clauses presentation

*Match the descriptions below to the topics above.*

- It's a book which has a list of useful things to say while you are visiting a country, especially useful when you are on holiday.
- It's a book which is especially written for language learners with a specific level, e.g. an Elementary version of "Oliver Twist" or a Pre-Intermediate version of "The Hobbit".
- It's a dictionary especially for language learners that has easy English definitions and only the most common and important words (making it much more useful than an advanced learner's dictionary)
- It's a list of words that you want to learn which you should look at two or three times a day.
- It's a local centre where cheap English classes are usually offered (along with ikebana classes and sign language classes) and volunteers often offer Japanese classes.
- It's a person who checks your written work, especially for little things like grammar mistakes and spelling mistakes.
- It's a person who teaches English conversation online, often from the Philippines.
- It's a place where some English teachers teach one-to-one classes, usually free con or working on improving something like a piece of writing or presentation together.
- It's a place where students do extra study after school, for example to prepare for university entrance exams.
- It's a place where you can chat informally with a native speaker, usually without any syllabus or materials.
- It's a place where you can sing songs, including English ones (although you mustn't look at the katakana pronunciation guide)
- It's a place where you can study conversational English, often in small classes with a native-speaker teacher.
- It's a radio programme that you can download and listen to on your mp3 player or mobile.
- It's a script that is used in Japanese to write foreign words (but mustn't be used for learning English)
- It's a site where you can see short, interesting presentations on many different topics, with or without subtitles.
- It's a special alphabet which shows the pronunciation of English words (because English spelling doesn't always clearly show the pronunciation) and can be found in English dictionaries and textbooks
- It's a test which doesn't test speaking and writing and so doesn't actually help improve your English level.
- It's a time when people teach each other their own languages, for example swapping Spanish and Japanese lessons.
- It's a time, for example one hour a day or one evening a week, when your friends or family agree to only speak English.
- It's an informal account of every day which is written in English by language learners to provide useful fluency practice for people who rarely speak in English.
- It's material that is designed to improve how quickly you speak and to cut how long you pause (silently).
- It's software which is designed for a smartphone and/ or tablet.
- They are English words at the bottom of the screen which tell you what is being said.

### Suggested answers

- App(application) – It's software which is designed for a smartphone and/ or tablet.
- CD ROM
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### Relative clauses presentation

*Put one word into each gap below (even when more than one word is possible).*

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*Check your answers above, then brainstorm more words for those gaps.*

*What are the differences between the different words which can go in the gaps above?*

*Fill the gaps below with as many different words as possible.*

Cram school – It's a place \_\_\_\_\_ students do extra study after school, for example to prepare for university entrance exams.

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Skype teacher – It's a person \_\_\_\_\_ teaches English conversation online, often from the Philippines.

*Write similar definitions of things in the list above which don't have definitions.*

### Relative clauses freer practice/ Homework

*Think of five specialist terms related to your work that your teacher probably doesn't know/ understand. Write definitions of each one. You will get one point for each that your teacher doesn't already know, and one point for each definition that they understand.*