

3 Relative pronouns with prepositions

The relative pronoun sometimes replaces the noun in a prepositional phrase.

The records **to which** I was referring are in the envelope. (~~not The records to that~~)

The records **that** I was referring **to** are in the envelope.

The records I was referring **to** are in the envelope.

That is a problem **for which** I don't have an solution. (~~not That is a problem for that~~)

That is a problem **that** I don't have an solution **for**.

That is a problem I don't have an solution **for**.

The woman **with whom** I was speaking is one of our agents.

The woman **who(m)** I was speaking **with** is one of our agents.

The woman I was speaking **with** is one of our agents.

C Grammar Exercises

1 Complete these sentences with who, whose, that, which, where, or when.

- 1 The delivery _____ came today was late.
- 2 The man _____ office is next to Paul's does the accounts.
- 3 I booked a hotel room _____ faces the mountains.
- 4 This is the assembly line _____ we package the cakes.
- 5 The woman _____ is talking to the CEO is a very important client.
- 6 I remember the day _____ Dexter took over the vice president's job.

2 Underline the relative pronouns in this article. Decide which relative pronouns are optional and put them in parentheses.

The History of the Smartphone

The first smartphone was designed by IBM in 1992. It was a mobile phone that had a variety of extra functions, including email and fax. It was a phone that we would think is quite normal today, but at the time was very advanced. The use of smartphones increased in the 1990s when Nokia introduced the 9000 series. These were phones that people could buy relatively cheaply. Consumers who bought them were impressed with the greater range of functions combined with their light weight. In the first decade of the new century, several companies introduced smartphones that were easier to use and more powerful. Some models that contain millions of downloadable music tracks for no extra cost have been introduced. This is a technology that experts claim will continue to improve in terms of performance and range of functions.

You can see the whole lesson from your teacher, please ask them to send it to you before the class.

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