RELATIVE CLAUSES (UPPER-INTERMEDIATE)

1. Rewrite the sentences adding more information about the underlined words. Use who, that, which, whose, where, when. Then compare your sentences.

1 The house was by the beach. The house where we lived as children was by the beach, which we played on every day.

2 Mark has moved to a new flat.

- 3 The bedroom overlooked a beautiful garden.
- 4 London is famous for its many monuments.

5 Pop star Kelly Malone had bought three homes by the age of seventeen.

2 Complete the sentences with a comment on the whole of the main clause.

1 Many people spend their weekends decorating their houses, which is a waste of time, in my opinion.

2 Nearly all my friends want to travel before they settle down, which ...

3 People nowadays constantly send emails when they're on holiday, which ...

4 Critics of the Gherkin building think it's really ugly, which ...

3. Delete the extra word from each sentence. Then rewrite them to make them more natural.

1 The man to whom we spoke to knew some fascinating stories about the place. The man we spoke to knew some fascinating stories about the place.

2 The hotel in which we stayed was the best what I've ever been to.

3 Who was the woman that about whom you were talking?

4 The airport from which we left it was very crowded.

5 The people with whom we shared the taxi they were very helpful.

6 What was the name of the lovely castle that to which we went last summer?

Mind the trap!

what=the thing that/which

This is **what** made his work so famous.

NOT This is that what made his work so famous.

3. Complete the sentences to make them true for you. Then compare your answers in groups.

1 I love places which

- 2 My dream house would be one that ...
- 3 What I like about my favourite building is that
- 4 A place I like to relax in is where
- 5 Exploring new cities is what ...
- 6 The most famous architect in my country is a person who ...