Relative Clauses - Answers

Answer Key

Section A: Explain and Correct

1. Without commas, I have more than one brother and mean the one in London. With commas, I have one brother and living in London is extra information.

2. The clause tells us which children - it is needed for the meaning, so it is not extra information.

3. "The girl who lives next door, whose cat is called Pip, waved." ("who" for people; "whose" not "who's")

4. e.g. "Mrs Khan, who teaches us, has a dog which is called Biscuit."

5. Relative clause: "that Gran baked"; noun: "cake"

Section B: Write Your Own

1. e.g. "London, which is the capital of England, is very busy."

2. e.g. "The pupils who finished early helped tidy up."

3. e.g. "The author whose books I love is visiting our school."

4. e.g. "The tiger, whose stripes hid it in the shadows, crept through the jungle."

5. e.g. "We went back to the beach where we found the crab."