

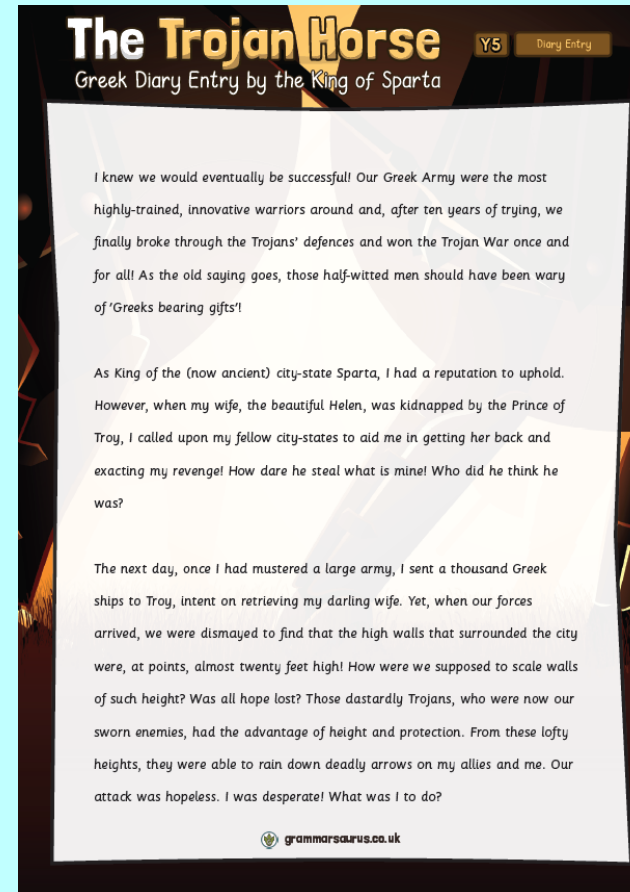
Monday 32nd Decembary

Can I understand relative clauses?

Diary entry

See

Have another read of the model text
with your partner




The Trojan Horse Y5 Diary Entry
Greek Diary Entry by the King of Sparta

I knew we would eventually be successful! Our Greek Army were the most highly-trained, innovative warriors around and, after ten years of trying, we finally broke through the Trojans' defences and won the Trojan War once and for all! As the old saying goes, those half-witted men should have been wary of 'Greeks bearing gifts'!

As King of the (now ancient) city-state Sparta, I had a reputation to uphold. However, when my wife, the beautiful Helen, was kidnapped by the Prince of Troy, I called upon my fellow city-states to aid me in getting her back and exacting my revenge! How dare he steal what is mine! Who did he think he was?

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The skill that we are looking at today is in here somewhere
Where could the relative clause be?

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So what is the skill then?

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What differences can we spot between the two relative clauses?

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A relative pronoun is usually used at the beginning of a relative clause .

Model

I'll show you how to add a relative clause!

It's all in the **relative pronoun!**

The road was built through the centre of the town

The road,....., was built through the centre of the town

Collaborate

Have a go at adding a relative clause into this one.

The tortoise shield formation kept the raiders at bay. The formation was made from over 50 shields.

Choose your relative pronoun carefully:

Which

Who

Where

That

Whose

Independent

Now time for you guys to have a go.

Write a short paragraph for your Roman diary entry.



Relative clauses



Relative clauses and brackets (yesterday's skill)



Relative clauses, brackets and semi-colons
(from previous unit)

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the roman soldier who was frightening to look at, terrified the locals.



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the battle lasted for three nites and eventually the soldiers give up