Choose which of these sentences is correct. Should we use a defining relative clause or a non-defining relative clause? For each question you have a clue.

**Q1.** You have two houses.

a) My house which is in Miami is very expensive.

b) My house which is in Miami, is very expensive.

**Q2.** You have only one sister.

a) My sister, who works in a hotel, got a promotion at work.

b) My sister who works for a hotel got a promotion at work.

**Q3.** You are telling somebody that it is your car.

a) The car that is outside the house is mine.

b) The car, which is outside the house, is mine.

**Q4.** You have many pairs of shoes.

a) The pair of shoes, that I bought yesterday, is my favourite.

b) The pair of shoes that I bought yesterday is my favourite.

**Q5.** There are several jackets in the room.

a) The jacket, which is on the coatstand, is mine.

b) The jacket which is on the coatstand is mine.

**Q6.** There are thousands of museums around the world.

a) The museum which we visited on holiday is very interesting.

b) The museum, which we visited on holiday, is very interesting.

**Q7.** You are talking about one room in your house.

a) My living room which is the largest room in my house is at the front of the house.

b) My living room, which is the largest room in my house, is at the front of the house.

**Q8.** There are several houses in the street.

a) The house which is at the end of the street is my friend’s.

b) The house, which is at the end of the street, is my friend’s.
Q9. There are two bags on the table, one is red and one is brown.
   a) The bag which is red is mine.
   b) The bag, which is red, is mine.

Q10. You are talking about a town.
   a) The town, which I live in, is very big.
   b) The town which I live in is very big.

Q11. There are three pictures on the wall.
   a) The picture which has mountains was painted by me.
   b) The picture, which has mountains, was painted by me.

Q12. You name the building.
   a) The Round Building, which we went to yesterday, is in London.
   b) The Round Building which we went to yesterday is in London.

Q13. You talk about your father.
   a) My father who is very tall lives in the country.
   b) My father, who is very tall, lives in the country.

Q14. There are two televisions in your house.
   a) The television which is in the bedroom is a widescreen.
   b) The television, which is in the bedroom, is a widescreen.

Q15. You have lots of clothes.
   a) The clothes that I bought today are nice.
   b) The clothes, that I bought today, are nice.

Q16. Everyone in the room owns keys.
   a) The keys, which are on the table, are mine.
   b) The keys which are on the table are mine.

Q17. You have only one mobile phone.
   a) My mobile phone, which was very cheap, is very good.
   b) My mobile phone which was very cheap is very good.
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Q18. You have one computer.
   a) My computer which is red is not working anymore.
   b) My computer, which is red, is not working anymore.

Q19. You have many friends.
   a) My friend who lives in Barcelona is named Sam.
   b) My friend, who lives in Barcelona, is named Sam.

Q20. There are two bags on the floor.
   a) The bag, which is blue, is his.
   b) The bag which is blue is his.
ANSWERS

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