

UNIT 18

who, that

1. 'who' is used when a person (or a group of people) has done something.

Example A

That is the hawker. The hawker won many accolades for his cooking skills.

Answer

That is the hawker **who** won many accolades for his cooking skills.

NOTE:

Here is a simple example of using 'who'. In this case, 'who' replaces 'the hawker' in the second given sentence. There is no need to change any of the tenses.

Example B

This girl is my niece. She tripped over a rock, fell and cut her forehead.

Answer

The girl **who** tripped over a rock, fell and cut her forehead is my niece.

NOTE:

In some cases, such as Example B, it may be necessary to switch the order of the information in order to write an answer that makes sense.

2. 'that' is used to refer to animals and things. It is used in a similar way as 'who'.

Example C

This tree is more than one hundred years old. This tree has been in this spot since before the World War I.

Answer

This tree **that** has been in this spot since before World War I is more than one hundred years old.

NOTE:

Just like when using 'who' to join sentences referring to people, you may have to change the order of the given information in your answer.

EXERCISE

For each question, rewrite the given sentence(s) using the word(s) provided. Your answer must be in one sentence. The meaning of your sentence must be the same as the meaning of the given sentence(s).

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1. Sally decided to seek the counsel of her supervisor. He is a wise and understanding man.
_____ who _____
2. The boy is my pupil. He was commended by the police for his honesty.
_____ who _____
3. This cat is lucky. It seems to have nine lives.
_____ that _____
4. Queenie plucked some flowers. The flowers were public property.
_____ that _____
- *5. My neighbour's dog was in an accident last week. It died tragically.
_____ that _____
6. The dragon was killed by that archer.
_____ who _____
7. The man was arrested by the soldiers. The villagers wanted to help the man
_____ who _____
8. The computer is top-of-the-line and energy-efficient. I want to get it for my son
_____ that _____
9. Ann and her father saw the piano in the shop window. Ann wanted her father to buy it
_____ that _____
- *10. The note was given to Miss Chng by that girl.
_____ who _____