Defining Relative Clause

- The information provided is **crucial** in understanding the meaning of the sentence.
  - If you delete the relative clause, there is something missing.
- Human:
  - "that" or "who/whom"
- Non-human:
  - "that" or "which"
- Object pronouns can be dropped.
- No commas!

Non-Defining Relative Clause

- Provides interesting **additional** information which is **not essential** to understand the meaning of the sentence.
  - If you delete the relative clause, the sentence is clear, we know what we are talking about.
- Human:
  - "who/whom"
- Non-human:
  - "which"
- Never use "that" !!!
- Never ommit the pronoun !!!
- Seperate the relative clause between **commas!**

Participle Clauses

- You can replace a relative clause by a participle clause, when you have a subject relative pronoun.
- -ING Participles:
  - what someone or somebody is doing at a particular time.
  - what always happens.
- Past Participles
  - passive meaning