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Relative and Interrogative Pronouns

Lesson 28

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Read and Discover

Who is Rama? He is the hero who battles the demon Ravana in the Indian epic, *The Ramayana*.

Draw a box around the boldfaced word that asks a question. Circle the boldfaced word that refers to the noun just before it.

When the pronouns *who*, *whom*, *whose*, *which*, and *that* are used to introduce an adjective clause, they are called **relative pronouns**. A relative pronoun always follows the noun described by the adjective clause it begins. When the pronouns *who*, *whom*, *whose*, *which*, and *what* are used to begin a question, they are called **interrogative pronouns**.

See Handbook Sections 17g, 17h

Part 1

Circle each relative pronoun. Underline the noun the adjective clause is describing. Draw a box around each interrogative pronoun.

1. Who knows the story of *The Ramayana*?
2. Rama is the earthly form that the god Vishnu took in order to slay the demon Ravana.
3. Ravana kidnapped Rama's wife Sita and took her away to his home in Lanka, which was across a vast ocean.
4. Rama sent an army of monkeys, which was led by Hanuman, to go in search of Sita.
5. The army couldn't cross the ocean, but Hanuman, whose father was the wind god Pavana, could fly.
6. When Hanuman found Sita, she gave him a jewel that would assure Rama she was still alive.
7. Ravana's men captured Hanuman and set his tail on fire, but Hanuman had a blessing that protected him.
8. What did that clever monkey do next?
9. He leapt from roof to roof using his tail, which was still aflame, to set fire to the city of Lanka.
10. When Hanuman returned to Rama, Rama demanded to build a bridge that would reach Lanka.
11. The bridge, which was built in five days, allowed Rama and his army to cross into Lanka.
12. Ravana's army was led by his son, Indrajit, who had the power to make himself invisible.
13. Indrajit was about to perform a ceremony that would give him the power to kill Rama.
14. Rama's brother attacked and killed him, an act that brought Ravana to the battlefield.
15. Ravana and Rama fought intensely until Rama hurled a powerful weapon that he'd been given.
16. Ravana was vanquished, and Rama flew with Sita back to Ayodhya, whose people made Rama king.