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定语从句

定语从句，简言之，就是用于修饰名词或代词的一个具有完整主谓结构的句子。这个被修饰的名词或代词因为总是在定语从句的前面，所以我们称之为先行词。而引导定语从句的连词，称为关系词，关系词包括关系代词或关系副词。

定语从句的三种功能：

1. 连接功能：连接从句，引导一个定语从句
2. 指代功能：指代先行词
3. 语法功能：在定语从句中充当句子成分

一、引导定语从句的关系词

1. 关系代词

关系代词	先行词	关系代词所作成分
that	人或物	作主语、宾语或表语
which	物	作主语、动词宾语或介词宾语
who	人	作主语
whom	人	作宾语
whose	人或物	作定语，相当于先行词的所有格
as	人或物或整句话	作主语



注：关系代词在句中充当主语、宾语，因此定语从句中不能再出现关系代词所替代的名词或代词。

(1) 关系代词在从句中作主语时 不能省略

① A plane is a machine which/that can fly. (作主语)

② The number of people who/that lost homes reached 250,000.

(2) 关系代词在句中作宾语时可省略

① The noodles that/which I cooked were delicious. (作宾语)

② The girl who/that we saw yesterday is Mary.

③ Mr. Li is a man whom/who/that we should learn from.



(3) 关系代词在从句中做定语

① The novel whose cover was broken belongs to me.

② Henry is the boy whose mother is our English teacher.

(4) 关系代词在句中作表语时可省略（只能用that）

She is not the girl that she was.

(5) 在限制性定语从句中，当先行词被the same, such, so等修饰时，通常用as引导定语从句，as作宾语一般不省略。

He is such a person as is respected by all of us.

比较：

They are such beautiful pictures _____ attracted many people's attention.

They are such beautiful pictures _____ they attracted many people's attention.

2. 关系副词

关系副词	与先行词关系
when	先行词是表示时间的名词， when 在从句中作时间状语，相当于“介词 during/on/in/ ...+which ”。[注]表示时间“ time ”一词的定语从句只用 when 引导，有时不用任何关系代词，当然也不用 that 引导。
where	先行词是含有地点意义的名词，或表示抽象境地的名词 case, point, situation 等。 where 在从句中作地点状语，相当于“介词 in/at/ on/...+which ”。
why	先行词是表示理由的名词(reason)， why 在从句中作原因状语，相当于“ for which ”。

注意：(1)介词后面的关系代词不能省略。

(2)that前不能有介词。

(3)某些在从句中充当时间，地点或原因状语的“介词+关系词”结构可以同定语从句中关系副词when, where和why互换。

This is the house in which I lived two years ago.

=This is the house where I lived two years ago.

Do you remember the day on which you joined our club?

=Do you remember the day when you joined our club?

This is the reason why he came late.

=This is the reason for which he came late.

二、限制性定语从句和非限制性定语从句



1. 限制性定语从句和主句关系密切，如果去掉，主句的意思就不完整或失去意义；非限制性定语从句和主句关系不太密切，往往用逗号和主句隔开，去掉后主句的意思仍然清楚。

2. 限制性定语从句的先行词是一个名词或代词，而非限制性定语从句的先行词可以是一个名词，也可以是整个主句。关系代词代替整个主句时，一般用**which**或**as**引导。

He seems not to have grasped what I meant, which greatly upsets me.

The earth turns around the sun, as is known to us all.



3. 当先行词为整个句子时，引导词只有 **as** 和 **which**，它们的区别是：

as 的用法：(1) 意为“正如，正像”，常作主语或宾语；(2) 其引导的定语从句既可放在主句之前，也可插在主句之中，还可放在主句之后。多用于固定搭配中，如：**as is often the case**(这是常有的事)，**as was expected**(不出所料)，**as is mentioned above**(正如上面所提到的)等。

As we expected, we won the game at last.

which 的用法：(1) 表示主句和从句之间是因果关系，意为“因此，这样，这一点”；(2) 其引导的非限制性的定语从句只能放在主句之后，可用 **and this/ that/ it** 来代替。

The road was too slippery, which caused lots of accidents.

=and this/ that/ it

三、定语从句只能用that、who或which的 几种情况



1. 只用that

(1)先行词为不定代词**all, everything, nothing, anything, little, much, none, the one**(指物)时或被这些词修饰时，关系代词只用**that**。

All *that* can be done has been done.

(2)当先行词被形容词的最高级修饰时，只用**that**。

This is the most beautiful park *that* I have visited.

The Titanic is the most dangerous film *that* I've ever seen.



(3)当先行词被序数词the first, the second, the last等修饰时, 只用that。

The first lesson *that* we have learned will never be easily forgotten.

This is the last class *that* we will have this term.

(4)当先行词被the only, the very, the last, some, any, few, much, no, very, only修饰时, 只用that。

The only student *that* may be elected is in our class.

I have no question *that* will be asked.

There was little *that* interested him at the meeting.



(5)当先行词既指人又指物时，只用**that**。

We often talk about the persons and things *that* we remember.

The characters and the animals *that* are in the picture are very native.

The train ran over a boy and his dog *that* were just crossing the railroad.

(6)当主语是以**who**或**which**开头的疑问句时，为避免重复而用**that**。

Who is the girl *that* is standing there?

Which is the hotel *that* you stayed at last month?

(7)当way做先行词时，关系代词可以有三种形式 ①that ②
in which ③×

I don't like the way *that / in which / ×* you speak to your
mother.

(8)先行词在句中作表语。

Shanghai is no longer the city *that* it used to be.



2. 只用who, 不用that

(1)当先行词是one, ones, anyone, those表人时。

Do you know the one _____ gave me the book?

Is there anyone _____ is absent today?

(2)有两个定语从句时, 当代指人时, 一个已经用了that, 另一个宜用who。

The girl that you met yesterday is an English teacher _____ teaches well.

(3)在there be句型中先行词为人。

There are many young people _____ are for him.

(4)当先行词是I, you, he, they等时(常用于谚语之中)。

He who plays with fire gets burned. 玩火者必自焚。

He who doesn't reach the Great Wall is not a true man.
不到长城非好汉。

3. 只用**which**, 不用**that**

(1)在非限制性定语从句中, 当先行词是物, 或代指前面整个主句时, 只能用**which**。

Beijing, _____ is capital of China, is very beautiful.

He failed in the exam, _____ made him very sad.

(2)关系词前面有介词, 而且先行词是物时, 只能用**which**。

This is the school in _____ you will study.

(3)有两个定语从句时, 其中一个关系代词已经用了**that**, 另外一个最好用**which**。

Let me show you the book that I borrowed from the library _____ was newly open to us.

四、定语从句中动词的数



1. 关系代词作从句的主语时，从句中谓语动词的人称和数要与先行词保持一致；先行词是句子时，从句的谓语动词用第三人称单数形式。如：

The recorder that has been given to me is home-made.

I, who am your classmate, will share the work with you.

2. “one of + 复数名词”位于关系代词前作先行词时，从句的动词通常要用复数；当one前有the (only), the (very)等修饰时，从句的谓语动词要用单数。如：

He is one of the students who have made great progress.

Mr. Wang is the only one of my friends who has been invited to have dinner with us.

五、“介词+关系代词”引导的定语从句须注意以下几点



1. 部分含有介词的动词短语一般不拆开使用，如：**look for, look after, take care of**等。
我照顾的那个老人好多了。
The old man **after** whom I am **looking** is better. 误
The old man whom I am **looking after** is better. 正
2. 若介词放在关系代词前，关系代词指人时用**whom**，不用**who**或**that**；指物时用**which**，不能用**that**，关系代词是所有格时用**whose**。
The pen with which he is writing is mine.
The person to whom you'll write is Mr. Ball.
The old man was talking with Mr. Smith, in whose hospital I was operated on.



3. “介词+关系代词”前可有**some, any, none, both, all, neither, most, window, five**等代词、名词或数词。

He has two sons, both of whom were killed in the war.

I lived in a house, the window of which faces the south.

Tom has eight pencils, five of which are yellow.

4. 介词由定语从句中谓语动词的习惯搭配或先行词的习惯搭配来决定，即“瞻前顾后”。

In the street there wasn't any person to whom she could turn for help.

The boss in whose company my father worked is a very kind person.

六、定语从句中关系代词与关系副词的选择



比较：

I'll never forget the days *that/which* I spent with my teacher.

I'll never forget the days *when* I worked with you.

It is the house *that/which* was built two years ago.

It is the house *where /in which* I was born.

The reason *which/that* he gave was an excuse.

The reason *why* he was late was the rain.



1. 明确关系代词、关系副词在定语从句中的不同作用

关系代词**which, that, who**在定语从句中作主语或在及物动词或介词后作宾语。

关系副词**when, where, why**在定语从句中作状语，即定语从句中不缺主语、宾语，只缺时间、地点或原因状语。

2. 分析句子结构，明确句法成分

关系词在从句中作宾语还是作状语，关键取决于从句中的谓语动词。如果定语从句中谓语动词是及物动词，应观察其后有无宾语。如果没宾语，则应考虑使用能充当宾语的关系代词**which**或**that**。如果句子中有宾语，就考虑关系副词**when**或**where**等。

七、定语从句和同位语从句的区别



1. 定语从句修饰先行词，它和先行词是修饰和被修饰的关系；同位语从句说明或解释前面的名词的具体内容，是补充说明的关系。

The plane that has just taken off is for London. (定语从句，**that**在从句中作主语)

The fact that he has been dead is clear. (同位语从句，**that**在从句中不作成分)

2. 定语从句由关系代词或关系副词引导，关系词在从句中充当成分；同位语从句主要由连词**that**引导，在从句中不作成分，从句也可由**when, where, how, why, whether**等词引导。

The problem (that) we are facing now is how we can collect so much money.(定语从句，**that**作宾语)

The problem how we can collect so much money is difficult to solve.(同位语从句)

八、增加定语从句试题难度常用方法



1. 在定语从句中，适当加入插入语。如：

① He made another wonderful discovery, _____ of great importance to science.

A. which I think is

B. which I think it is

C. which I think it

D. I think which is

② Not having been there before, he simply had no idea about the place, _____ is worth visiting.

A. where everyone says

B. which everyone says

C. everyone says this

D. everyone says that

2. 把先行词与定语从句隔开

The film brought the hours back to me _____ I was taken good care of in that far-away village.

- A. until B. that C. when D. where

3. 把定语从句和强调句型放在一起考

It was in the small house _____ was built with stones _____ he spent his childhood.

- A. that; that B. which; which
C. which; that D. that; which

4. 定语从句与其它从句



① All _____ I need is a good rest.

_____ I need is a good rest.

A. What B. All what C. That D. Which

② The police ruled out the possibility _____ Justin told them.

The police ruled out the possibility _____ Justin was taken away by the aliens.

A. that B. which C. of which D. what

③ A modern city has been set up in the place _____ was a wasteland ten years ago.

A modern city has been set up in _____ was a wasteland ten years ago.

A. what B. which C. that D. where

语法练习题:



1 . This is the bag _____ my mother bought yesterday.

A . that

B . who

C . whom

D . this

2 . October 15th is my birthday, _____ I will never forget.

A . when

B . that

C . what

D . which

3 . Do you still remember the day _____ we first met?

A . that

B . when

C . what

D . on that

4 . The treatment will continue until the patient reaches the point _____ he can walk correctly and safely.

A . when

B . where

C . which

D . whose

5 . The only language _____ is easy to learn is the mother tongue.

A . which

B . that

C . /

D . it



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