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They usually begin with a relative pronoun.

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Relative pronouns *relate* the clause to the **noun**.

**Batman**, whose name is Bruce Wayne, wears a special suit.

Batman wears a special **suit** which protects him from enemies.

He lives in **Gotham City** where he fights crime and criminals.

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Add information about either **noun**.

Start it with a **relative pronoun**.

IDEAS

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**Wonder Woman** wears a pair of metal **bracelets**.

**Wonder Woman**, who , wears a pair of metal bracelets.

Wonder Woman wears a pair of metal **bracelets** that .

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Wonder Woman wears a pair of metal **bracelets** that provide her with protection.

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main clause  
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Tell me more about **Superman**.

The **relative clause** needs to be next to the **noun: Superman**.

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The **main clause** splits to make space...  
for the **relative clause**.

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Sometimes the **relative clause** is *embedded* in the **main clause**.

*Commas* separate the clauses because the **relative clause** breaks up the **main clause**.

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