Relative Pronouns Exercise

Relative pronouns are words like who, which, that, whom and where. They are used to connect two clauses. They also act as the subject or object of the verb in the relative clause.

This grammar exercise tests your understanding of relative pronouns. Fill in the blanks with an appropriate relative pronoun.

1. This is the town ...................... I spent my childhood.
   where  that  which

2. This is the town in .................... I spent my childhood.
   where  which  that

3. This is the house ........................ I was born in.
   where  which
   Either could be used here
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4. Here is an article ..................... might interest you.

it
which
which it

5. I gave her a bag ......................... she put in her bag at once.

which
which it
it

6. This is Alice ........................... you met last year.

whom
that
Either could be used here

7. I was impressed by the way ......................... she did it.

which
in which
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how

8. They got divorced a few months later ................................ surprised nobody.

that
what
which

9. The people .......................... live next door are not very friendly.

who
that
Either could be used here

10. The only thing ....................... matters is to find our way home.

which
that
Either could be used here

11. The woman .......................... I marry should
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have good sense of humor.

who
whom
Either could be used here

12. She was loved by the people with ................................ she worked.

who
that
whom

Answers

1. This is the town where I spent my childhood.
2. This is the town in which I spent my childhood.
3. This is the house that / which I was born in.
4. Here is an article which / that might interest you.
5. I gave her a bag which she put in her bag at once.
6. This is Alice whom you met last year.
7. I was impressed by the way in which she did it.
8. They got divorced a few months later which surprised nobody.
9. The people who live next door are not very friendly.
10. The only thing that matters is to find our way home.
11. The woman who / whom I marry should have good sense of humor.
12. She was loved by the people with whom she worked.