

Lesson 12

Which or That

1. Vocabulary

1. source

2. hydroelectric

3. annual

4. tadpole

2. Lesson: Strange Rain

Do you like rain? Why?

Not so many people like rain because it makes them not free to go wherever they like. ¹ But rain, which is part of nature, is an important source of fresh water in the world. ² It also gives water to plants, which give us oxygen. ³ It powers hydroelectric plants, which give us electricity.



⁵ But there are some kinds of rain that we don't normally experience. ⁶ In Honduras for example, people experienced rain that included big fish and lasted for 2 to 3 hours. ⁷ When the rain stopped, they were able to cook and eat the fish that they picked from the ground after the rain. ⁸ In 1998, an annual festival that is celebrated to thank the Rain of Fish started.

⁴ In Japan, tadpole, fish, and frog rains, which lasted for some weeks were recorded in 2009. In India, there was also a rain of fish. And there are more other cases of strange rain in the world.



3. Practice

A.

Read the sentences below and compare them with the numbered sentences in the story.

Is there a change in meaning?

Which

1. Rain is an important source of fresh water in the world.
2. It also gives water to plants.
3. It powers hydroelectric plants.
4. In Japan, tadpole, fish, and frog rains were recorded in 2009.

That

5. There are however some kinds of rain.
6. Hondurans experienced rain.
7. When the rain stopped, they can cook and eat fish.
8. In 1998, an annual festival started.

B.

Use which to make one sentence.

Example: -Learning English is difficult.
-English is the first language in many parts of the world.
Learning English, which is the first language in many parts of the world, is difficult.

Which

1. Japan is a beautiful country.
Japan is known as the Land of the Rising sun.
2. I like eating taco.
Taco is a Mexican food.
3. Humans cannot live without water.
Water makes up about 75% of the human body.
4. Everyday, he drinks coffee.
Coffee is rich in antioxidants.
5. I have never eaten matsutake.
Matsutake is one of the most expensive mushrooms.

C.

Use that to make one sentence

Example: Learning English is difficult.
English used in business situations is difficult.
Learning English that is used in business situations is difficult.

That

1. The calculator is broken.
You gave me this calculator 2 years ago.
2. I like spaghetti.
This spaghetti is from Ricci's.
3. The house is scary.
We saw this house last night.
4. She eats vegetables everyday.
She grows these vegetables in her garden.
5. Can I borrow the notebook?
You used this notebook awhile ago.

4. Grammar

Which or That

Which and That are used to add information for places, things, or ideas.

Which = when the information is just additional (or extra information)

Example:

The Eiffel Tower, **which** was designed by Gustav Eiffel, is France's major attraction.

That = when the information is important to understand the sentence

Example:

Please give me the paper **that** I gave you awhile ago.