

Vocabulary - Key Words and Phrases

Conversation 1

Good night's sleep - an expression meaning to sleep well without interruption.

Exhausting - extremely tiring.

Stress me out - to make someone feel very anxious or stressed.

Pretty noisy - quite loud, enough to be bothersome.

Brings in - attracts or causes to come.

Turn for the better - to improve or become better.

Conversation 2

Totally addicted to - colloquial way of saying very fond of or frequently using something.

High-tech - involving the latest technology.

Tracks my biometrics - monitors physiological data.

Analyzed - examined data methodically.

Trendy - fashionable or up-to-date.

Gadget - a small mechanical or electronic device or tool.

Conversation 3

In charge of - responsible for managing or overseeing.

Assembly line efficiency - the productivity of a manufacturing operation.

Superior - a person who is higher in rank or position.

Quit unexpectedly - to resign or leave a job suddenly without prior indication.

A lot of pressure - a great deal of stress or burden.

Totally stressed - extremely anxious or overwhelmed.

Conversation 4

Going down at the factory - colloquial way of asking what is happening in the factory.

Track record - A history of doing something well.

Time frame - the period during which something is supposed to happen.

Production deadline - the latest time by which the production must be completed.

Increase production - to produce more goods.

Commercial - an advertisement on television or radio.

Strong demand - a high need or desire for a product by consumers.

Count on - Rely on, or depend on.

Grammar Notes Non-Defining Relative Clause

Point 1: A defining clause acts like an adjective to describe something.

1. I have a car **that is electric**.
2. I have an uncle **who repairs watches**.

Point 2: A non-defining clause gives extra information.

1. She has a nice house, **which was just built**.
2. We went to dinner with Jeff, **whom I think you met before**.

Point 3: A non-defining clause uses commas to separate the clause from the modified sentence.

1. My friend, **whom you met before**, is coming to the party.
2. We study Arabic, **which is very hard to learn**.

Point 4: A non-defining clause uses the relative pronoun, "**which**," for things or ideas:

1. My school, **which just opened**, does not have many students.
2. He quit his job, **which surprised us all**.

Point 5: For people, use "**who**," when the modified word is the subject of the clause. Use "**whom**," for the object.

1. I work with Jeff, **who graduated from Harvard**.
2. We invited Susan, **whom you met before**.

Non-Defining Relative Clause

Watch four videos using **non-defining relative clauses** in conversation.

Conversation 1 | [PDF Worksheet](#)

Man: How is your new apartment?

Woman: Good, but it's very noisy, so I can't get a good night's sleep, **which is exhausting**.

Man: That's terrible. That would stress me out. Where is it exactly?

Woman: It is near the station, **which gets pretty noisy at night**.

Man: What about on the weekends?

Woman: It's not much quieter then. There is a night market, **which brings in lots of**

tourists.

Man: I know how you feel. My old workplace, *which was near an airport*, was always noisy.

Woman: Yeah, there is not much I can do about it now. I just have to deal with it.

Man: Well, hopefully things will turn for the better in the long run.

Woman: Thanks, I hope so.

Conversation 2 | [PDF Worksheet](#)

Man: What are you looking at?

Woman: This is my new smart watch, *which I am totally addicted to*.

Man: It looks high-tech. What does it do?

Woman: It tracks my bio-metrics, *which are immediately analyzed* and then displayed on the screen

Man: Oh, really. That sounds cool. How are you doing?

Woman: Not bad. It turns out I am pretty healthy, but it is still hard to interpret all the data.

Man: Those watches are so trendy these days. I want a gadget like that.

Woman: You should get one. There're lots of fun.

Conversation 3 | [PDF Worksheet](#)

Man: So, how are things in your department?

Woman: Not good. I have a new role, *which I hate*.

Man: Oh, what is your new role?

Woman: I am not in charge of assemble line efficiency, *which means I must make sure everything is working as efficiently as possible*.

Man: That sounds like a role for management.

Woman: It was, but our superior quit unexpectedly, so they gave the job to me.

Man: That sounds like a lot of pressure.

Woman: It is. I am totally stressed right now.

Conversation 4 | [PDF Worksheet](#)

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Man:Well, the new machines, *which I told you about last week*, are working really well.

Woman: What about the time frame? Can we meet our production deadline?

Man: Well, the new staff, *which we just hired last week*, should be able to increase production.

Woman: Well, our recent commercial, *which has done really well*, could mean a strong demand for the product.

Man: So basically, we need to increase production fast.

Woman: Yes, you do, *which means you will be working a lot of overtime*, but I need you to come through on this.

Man: Well, we have a track record, *which you know is pretty good*, so I am confident

we can do this.

Woman: That's good to hear. I know I can count on you.

Quiz

Answer these questions about the interview.

1) What brings in lots of tourists?

- a) A museum
- b) A new mall
- c) A night market**

2) What did the woman learn from her smart watch?

- a) She is healthy.**
- b) She is unhealthy.
- c) She is not sleeping enough.

3) Who quit unexpectedly?

- a) Her staff
- b) Her superior**
- c) Her assistant

4) What will happen with the staff?

- a) They will be fired
- b) They will work less
- c) They will work more**

Gap Fill: Complete the conversation with the correct word!

Question 1 of 4

Drag the boxes onto the matching gaps.

- **workplace**
- **quieter**
- **will**

- **What**
- **noisy**
- **How**

- **much**
- **would**
- **exhausting**

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- analyzed
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- Those

- What
- biometrics

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- basically
- could
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- production
- record

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