Subject pronoun or object pronoun?

- If the relative pronoun is followed by a verb, it’s a subject pronoun (they cannot be dropped in defining relative clauses).

- If the relative isn’t followed by a verb (but by a noun or pronoun) it’s an object pronoun and can be dropped in defining relative clauses.

Non-defining - they go between commas
Defining - no commas
1. Write a relative pronoun or relative adverb

1- A castle is a place where a king or queen lives
2- An actress is a woman who plays in films or theatre plays
3- This is the girl whose mother is from Spain
4- This is the time of the year when many people suffer from hayfever
5- The flowers that grow in the garden are very beautiful.
6- I cannot remember the reason why he did that
7- Jane, whose mother is a physician, is very good at biology
8- She didn’t see the snake that was lying on the ground.
9- Do you know the shop where Andrew picked me up?

2. Decide whether the relative pronoun is necessary or not

10- This is the picture that Susan painted.
11- Do you know the man who is speaking on the phone?
12- We ate the sweets which my mother had bought.
13- Is this the boy who plays the guitar?
14- This is the house that Mary bought last year.

3. Complete the sentences using a relative clause

15- Violet and Sue are two girls who like dancing.
16- My mobile phone is something that is very important to me.
17- Peter is a friend of mine who live in London.
18- An airport is a place where planes land.
19- We ordered a book that is very expensive.
4 Complete with who or whom

20- To _______ did you send that letter?

21- I've no idea _______ was standing by the lamp post when the robbery happened.

22- _______ did you see lurking around last night?

23- With _______ will she be going to the ball?

24- I just can't think _______ might have done such a thing.

25-_______ has left the fridge door open again?

26- He would not tell me _______ he saw in the shadows that horrible night.

27- We may never know _______ was responsible.
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