

# 83 Other relative structures

Relative words introduce phrases that describe a noun in the main part of the sentence. Different relative words are used to refer to different types of nouns.

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Singular and plural nouns **69**  
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## 83.1 "WHERE," "WHEN," AND "WHEREBY"

"Where" is the relative word used to refer to a place.

That is the place **where** the judge sits.

[The judge sits there.]



"When" is the relative word used to refer to a time.

He is looking forward to the day **when** he'll be released from prison.

[He's looking forward to the day of his release.]



"Whereby" is the relative word used to refer to a process.

A trial is the process **whereby** a person is found guilty or innocent of a crime.

[To be found guilty, you must go through a trial process.]



## FURTHER EXAMPLES

This is the house **where** Shakespeare was born.



Dean is out at the moment. I'm not sure **where** he is.



I remember the day **when** you were born.



Next month is **when** the new students are starting.



They have an agreement **whereby** they share the company's profits.



There's a new system **whereby** students submit their work online.

