Defining things...

1 Correct the relative pronouns in the sentences 1-8 below.
1 The camera what the producer broke was very expensive.
2 He became a famous actor which won a lot of Oscars.
3 The ‘It’ girl who extravagant clothes always got her noticed.
4 We loved the atmosphere of the studio which we worked.
5 Where I heard the headlines that night, I couldn’t believe it!
6 I loved the documentaries who that producer made.
7 The reality show was filmed in the house of a millionaire what family continued to live upstairs during the show!
8 I finally realised what a great mystery story it was where someone explained the twist in the story.

2 In pairs, look at the following words and write a defining relative clause using who, when, which, where or whose in each sentence.

1 Catherine Zeta Jones  5 A journalist
2 Television  6 A live performance
3 Theatre  7 TV Studios
4 Newspapers  8 An advertisement
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TEACHER’S NOTES:

Aim: to provide further practice of defining relative clauses. This worksheet is designed to be used in conjunction with unit 2.2.
Time: 40 minutes
Materials: photocopies of worksheet for each student

1 Students read the sentences which all contain an incorrect relative pronoun. Students correct each relative pronoun and compare with their partner. Elicit answers from the class.

Answers: 1 that 2 who 3 whose 4 where 5 when 6 that/which 7 whose 8 when

2 Students have a freer practice opportunity here. They read through the list of words and write their own defining relative clause complete with relative pronoun. Allow students to work together to make the activity fun. Monitor as they work to correct any mistakes. Elicit sentences from the class at the end of the activity.

Suggested answers: 1 Catherine Zeta Jones is an actress who married another actor called Michael Douglas/CZJ is an actress whose husband comes from a famous acting family. 2 Television is something that/which we watch when we want to relax. 3 Theatre is a place where we can watch live drama with actors and actresses. 4 Newspapers are publications that/which we read to find out information about the world. 5 A journalist is someone who writes stories for newspapers. 6 A live performance is something that takes place at the same time as it actually happens. 7 TV Studios are places where shows are produced and recorded for TV. 8 An advertisement is something which/that promotes a particular product.