

Non-Defining Relative Clauses 5

Complete the article below using non-defining relative clauses. Use the phrases from the note sheet below to help you. You will need to add relative pronouns 'who', 'which' and 'whose', and commas where necessary.

<i>was very young</i>	<i>who died in 1847</i>
<i>was very boring for him</i>	<i>was a wealthy merchant</i>
<i>was a writer of horror and mystery stories</i>	<i>used to be a chef in the restaurant</i>
<i>were both travelling actors</i>	<i>were often about death</i>
<i>only became popular after his death</i>	<i>is where his parents were from</i>
<i>he wrote in his bedroom</i>	<i>were two of his favourite sports</i>

Edgar Allan Poe (1) , who was a writer of horror and mystery stories, was born Edgar Poe in Boston Massachusetts, in 1809. His parents, (2) , who were both travelling actors, died when he was very young.

After their death, he went to live with John Allan (3) , who was a wealthy merchant, and his wife Frances. They sent him to private schools, first in the United States, and then in England where the family lived from 1815 to 1820. He was an excellent student. He competed in boxing and track racing (4) , which were two of his favourite sports.

By the age of eleven, Edgar had written many poems and he showed these to John Allan. Edgar admired Allan so much that he even added the name Allan to his own. Edgar Allan Poe had few friends. His stories (5) , which were often about death, were written because he was so lonely.

When he returned to the United States, he married his cousin Virginia Clemm (6) , who was very young. He tried to sell his books, (7) which he wrote in his bedroom, with no success and so he went to work for a newspaper in Baltimore (8) , which is where his parents were from. The work (9) , which was very boring for him, made him even unhappier.

He also didn't earn enough money to support himself and his wife (10) , who died in 1847. Edgar Allan Poe, (11) , whose life was unhappy, died two years later in 1849 at the age of 40. In his lifetime, he wrote over 70 stories and 50 poems (12) , which only became popular only after his death.