

NOUN CLAUSES

change into a noun clause!

Noun clauses can be used as a subject or an object.

Examples:

What Jane said was true. (S)

I heard what Jane said. (obj)

Words that can introduce a noun clause:

- question words (when, who...)
- whether, if
- that

Question words can be followed by infinitives:

I don't know what I should say

I don't know what to say

Follow the example: Where does he live? → I wonder where he lives.

1. What did Anne say? → I don't know _____
2. Where are you going? → Mum asks _____
3. When does Jake arrive? → I wonder _____
4. How does it work? → I can't understand _____
5. Who are you? → The teacher wants to know _____
6. Where was the party? → I couldn't hear _____
7. Who is that man? → I want to know _____
8. What time does the film start? → Could you tell me _____
9. Will Tom come with us? → I don't know _____
10. Do you need help? → Jane asks _____
11. He's a good teacher → I think _____
12. Water boils at 100°C → We know _____
13. Is John OK? → Can you tell me _____
14. Is there life on other planets? → I wonder _____

use an infinitive!

1. Jane doesn't know what she should do → _____
2. I can't decide whether I should go → _____
3. Please tell me how I can go to Fleet Street → _____
4. She told us where we could find it → _____
5. Please tell me where I can meet Peter → _____

multiple choice

1. Should I call him?

- ☐ I wonder whether should I call him.
- ☐ I wonder whether I should call him.
- ☐ I wonder whether I to call him.

2. Ellen can't decide whether she should come or stay.

- ☐ Ellen can't decide whether to come or stay.
- ☐ Ellen can't decide whether come or stay.
- ☐ Ellen can't decide whether she to come or stay.

3. Where's the train station?

- ☐ Please, can you tell me where is the train station?
- ☐ Please, can you tell me where to be the train station?
- ☐ Please, can you tell me where the train station is?

4. The plumber told us how we could fix the leak.

- ☐ The plumber told us to fix the leak.
- ☐ The plumber told us how to fix the leak.
- ☐ The plumber told us that we could fix the leak.

5. Will Sara come to the museum?

- ☐ I don't know if Sara will come to the museum.
- ☐ I don't know whether to come to the museum.
- ☐ I don't know will Sara come to the museum.

6. How long have you been married?

- ☐ Could you tell me how long you have been married?
- ☐ Could you tell me how long have you been married?
- ☐ Could you tell me that you have been married?

7. Why is your sister smiling?

- ☐ I wonder why your sister to smile.
- ☐ I wonder why is your sister smiling.
- ☐ I wonder why your sister is smiling.

8. Who are those girls?

- ☐ We don't know who those girls are.
- ☐ We don't know who are those girls.
- ☐ We don't know who those girls to be.

9. She doesn't understand German.

- ☐ I know that she doesn't understand German.
- ☐ I know that doesn't she understand German.
- ☐ I know she doesn't to understand German.

10. Who did you talk to?

- ☐ I want to know who you talked to.
- ☐ I want to know who you did talk to.
- ☐ I want to know who talked to you.