

Example: In 1880, George Eastman, _____ dry-plate manufacturer, introduced the Kodak box camera.

- (A) who an American
- (B) he was an American
- (C) an American
- (D) was an American

The best choice is (C); (A) is incorrect because there is no verb in the relative clause. (B) does not have a connector to join the clause to the rest of the sentence. (D) is not correct because it contains a verb and a phrase cannot have a verb.

EXERCISES ON ADJECTIVE CLAUSES

From the four words or phrases (A), (B), (C), or (D), choose the one that best completes the sentence.

1. The thyroid gland, _____, is located in the neck.
 - (A) where the hormone thyroxine is produced
 - (B) where produced is the hormone thyroxine
 - (C) the hormone thyroxine is produced there
 - (D) at which is produced the hormone thyroxine
2. Dragonflies feed on a large variety of insects _____ catch in flight.
 - (A) in which they
 - (B) which they
 - (C) there are to
 - (D) there are a
3. According to legend, Betsy Ross was the woman _____ the first American stars and stripes flag.
 - (A) whom she made
 - (B) made
 - (C) who made
 - (D) and she made
4. Pumpkin seeds, _____ protein and iron, are a popular snack.
 - (A) that
 - (B) provide
 - (C) which
 - (D) which provide
5. The spinal cord is a long, thick bundle of nerves _____ from the brain to the lower part of the back.
 - (A) that runs
 - (B) is running
 - (C) it runs
 - (D) whom it runs

6. George Pullman introduced a dining car _____ its own kitchen in 1868.

(A) it had
(B) that had
(C) that it had
(D) having

7. In 1898, _____ pharmacologist, John H. Abel, isolated the hormone adrenaline.

(A) an American who
(B) who, an American
(C) an American
(D) he was an American

8. Nitrogen gas, _____ up about 78 percent of our atmosphere, is constantly being used by plants and animals.

(A) which it makes
(B) it makes
(C) makes
(D) which makes

9. Paper is made from cellulose fibers, _____ in all cells.

(A) are
(B) which are
(C) they are
(D) which they are

10. The pepper plant bears a small, green berry _____ red as it ripens.

(A) which turns
(B) turns
(C) it turns
(D) that it turns

11. Quinine, _____ once used to cure malaria, was taken from the bark of a South American tree, the cinchona.

(A) it is a famous drug
(B) is a famous drug
(C) a famous drug
(D) is a famous drug whose

12. Billie Holiday, _____ unique singing style made her famous, was also known as Lady Day.

(A) she is a
(B) whom
(C) who
(D) whose