

**1) RELATIVE CLAUSES:**

a) Decide which word or phrase is correct.

◆ **What** ..... I really need is a long holiday.  
a) that b) **what** c) **which** d) **who**

1 At last I've found the information that I was looking .....  
a) for b) for it c) for that d) it

2 Everyone ..... the building was searched by the police.  
a) enter b) entered c) entering d) **enters**

3 The plane ..... has just taken off is an hour late.  
a) it b) **what** c) **which** d) **who**

4 When she got there, there were at least ten other people ..... were also applying for the job.  
a) **which** b) **whose** c) **who** d) **when**

5 My friend Dan, ..... works in the City, earns much more than I do.  
a) that b) **which** c) **who** d) **whose**

6 Martin is someone with ..... I usually agree.  
a) him b) that c) **who** d) whom

7 I'd like to see the photo .....  
a) **took** b) **you took it** c) **that you took** d) **that you took it**

8 Pyeongchang is the city ..... the Winter Olympics were held in 2018.  
a) **that** b) **when** c) **where** d) **which**

9 It rained all the time, ..... was a great pity.  
a) **that** b) **what** c) **which** d) **who**

10 We passed shops ..... windows were decorated for Christmas.  
a) the b) **their** c) **which** d) **whose**

b)

Complete the story about a thief's punishment. Write the missing words. Use one word only in each space.

This is a true story \* **which** ..... is supposed to have happened somewhere in the US. A man <sup>1</sup> ..... was accused of housebreaking appeared in court. He had put his arm through the window of a house and stolen some money <sup>2</sup> ..... was lying on a table inside. The argument <sup>3</sup> ..... the man's lawyer put forward wasn't very impressive. He said that <sup>4</sup> ..... was the man's arm <sup>5</sup> ..... had committed the crime and not the man himself. 'You cannot punish a man for <sup>6</sup> ..... his arm has done,' said the lawyer. Now the judge <sup>7</sup> ..... court the man was appearing in wanted to show how stupid the lawyer's argument was. Instead of finding the man guilty, he found the man's arm guilty and sent it to prison. 'He can go with his arm or not, as he chooses,' the judge added, <sup>8</sup> ..... made everyone laugh. But <sup>9</sup> ..... the judge didn't know was that the man had an artificial arm. He took the arm off, gave it to the judge – <sup>10</sup> ..... could hardly believe his eyes – and walked out of the court.

**C) Are these DEFINING (D) or NON-DEFINING (N-D) relative clauses?**

- a. London, which is the capital of England, is one of the largest cities in the world.....
- b. This is the dress my mother has made for me. .....
- c. Queen Elizabeth II, who is 83, has been the queen of England for 57 years now. .....
- d. That's the dog that bit me. ....
- e. Tom Cruise, who has starred a lot of films, is a famous American actor. .....
- f. The village where I grew up is very small.....
- g. Greg, whose job involves travelling a lot, has been in nearly all the countries in the world.
- h. The office I have rented is near my home. .....
- i. This is the officer that arrested the burglar.....
- j. Lady Gaga, who is a well-known pop star, is only 24 .....

**d) PARTICIPLE CLAUSES: Choose the correct meaning**

- 1. Jake fell over, breaking his glasses.
  - a. Jake fell over because his glasses were broken.
  - b. Jake's glasses broke because he fell over.
- 2. Having read the book, I don't need to see the film.
  - a. I have to read the book but I don't need to see the film.
  - b. It isn't necessary to see the film because I've already read the book.
- 3. Stored in a fridge, the dish will stay fresh for four days.
  - a. If you store it in a fridge, the dish will stay fresh for four days.
  - b. I stored the dish in the fridge for four days.
- 4. Being a doctor, people often ask me for advice.
  - a. Doctors often ask me for advice.
  - b. People ask me for advice because I'm a doctor.
- 5. Having passed the driving test, I was able to buy a car.
  - a. I was able to buy a car because I'd passed the driving test.
  - b. I bought a car before I passed the driving test.

**2) TYPES OF SENTENCES:** Are these sentences **Simple, Compound, Complex or Compound-Complex?**

- 1. The dog dug a hole in the yard. \_\_\_\_\_
- 2. Although he looks relaxed, Rick has a test today. \_\_\_\_\_
- 3. Sam wanted to go to the beach but his car broke down last week. \_\_\_\_\_
- 4. I cooked the starter but I didn't lay the table. \_\_\_\_\_
- 5. Unless it is raining, we will go to the beach tomorrow. \_\_\_\_\_
- 6. Although the trip to the theme-park was still months away, the students were excited and the teacher was busy organizing everything. \_\_\_\_\_
- 7. Do you want me to cook the starter or to lay the table? \_\_\_\_\_
- 8. Because of the weather, the stayed indoors. \_\_\_\_\_
- 9. The plane and the helicopter flew over the stadium. \_\_\_\_\_
- 10. Jess and Helen went to the city and they had some drinks because it was Helen's birthday. \_\_\_\_\_

## 2) AVOIDING REPETITION:

a. **ELLIPSIS:** Rewrite the sentences eliding repeated or unnecessary information.

- I. The students could either take the exam in June or they could take it in December.  
\_\_\_\_\_
- II. The casual labourers didn't earn much money during the summer, though they had expected to earn.  
\_\_\_\_\_
- III. Michael can even climb a mountain but I can't climb a mountain.  
\_\_\_\_\_
- IV. The instructions explain clearly how to grow the plants but not when to grow them.  
\_\_\_\_\_
- V. Dr. Smith said he was going on a call but he didn't say where he was going.  
\_\_\_\_\_

b. **SUBSTITUTION:** Fill in the blanks with a suitable word or phrase.

- VI. Pam always brings us back chocolates when she travels. Last year, she brought some Belgian \_\_\_\_\_ from her last trip, which were delicious.
- VII. Many people can spend weeks without drinking mates. I really couldn't do \_\_\_\_\_
- VIII. A) I always have toast and coffee in the morning.  
B) My husband \_\_\_\_\_ too. He can't function without breakfast.
- IX. I broke his camera and he was really upset about \_\_\_\_\_
- X. My classmates used to say that this subject is useless. I don't believe \_\_\_\_\_
- XI. Do you usually write essays? If you \_\_\_\_\_, you might need a good online editor.

## 3) EMPHASIS AND FOCUS

a. **INVERSION and FRONTING:** Choose the correct option.

- I. Not only \_\_\_\_\_ late, but he didn't even apologize.  
a. **he was**    b. **did he**    c. **was he**
- II. No sooner \_\_\_\_\_ than it started to rain.  
a. **the new park opened**    b. **does the new park open**    c. **did the new park open**
- III. Under no circumstances \_\_\_\_\_ without an adult.  
a. **children shouldn't travel**    b. **should children travel**    c. **children can travel**
- IV. \_\_\_\_\_ that the firemen were unable to enter the building.

a. **So, the heat was intense**    b. **So intense the heat did**    c. **So intense the heat was**

**b. CLEFT SENTENCES:** Write the second sentence so it has similar meaning to the first one, using the word in bracket.

- I. They hired two au pairs to look after the children.  
(did) \_\_\_\_\_
- II. Mark left the job because of the long working hours.  
(why) \_\_\_\_\_
- III. Our mechanics just need five minutes to change the tyres.  
(all) \_\_\_\_\_
- IV. The manager informed the staff of the news.  
(it) \_\_\_\_\_

**4) NEGATIVE FORM:** Read and choose the correct option

- I. Has Paula decided to call her daughter Romualda after all?!  
a. I think no.    b. I hope not.    c. I don't think.
- II. They'll get \_\_\_\_\_ help from the government.  
a. no                    b. not                    c. nor
- III. The English village is \_\_\_\_\_ as pleasant \_\_\_\_\_ as unchanging as I thought.  
a. nor / neither    b. neither /not    c. neither /nor
- IV. That sweater was a present from my grandma. \_\_\_\_\_!  
a. It cost nothing.    b. It didn't cost nothing.    c. It cost anything
- V. a. I don't hope the meeting will be too boring for you.  
b. I hope the meeting won't be too boring for you.
- VI. a. I wish I hadn't said what I said.  
b. I don't wish I said what I said.