

EXERCISE B The subordinate clause in each of the following sentences is printed in italics. If the clause is essential, circle E. If the clause is nonessential, circle N and set the clause off with commas.

EXAMPLES E **(N)** 1. The Netherlands, *which has a low illiteracy rate*, has a high standard of living.

(E) N 2. Most sentences *that ask a question* require a question mark.

E N 1. I just finished reading Gary Soto's story "The Jacket" *which describes a painful time in his early life*.

E N 2. We need a girl *who can speak with a Southern accent* to play the part.

E N 3. The store pays the parking fee of any customer *who makes a purchase of twenty dollars or more*.

E N 4. It was the responsibility of Stacy Kerwin *who should have counted the tickets herself*.

E N 5. Ten points are given for any question *that stumps the experts*.

E N 6. Most of the things *that we worry about* never happen.

E N 7. We lived on Oxford Drive *which is close to the airport*.

E N 8. Any person *who was born on February 29* has a birthday only once every four years.

E N 9. Buffalo Bill *whose real name was William F. Cody* was a famous frontier scout.

E N 10. Many Scottish names begin with the prefix "Mac" *which means "the son of"*.

E N 11. Mrs. Miltos is not a person *with whom you can argue*.

E N 12. Grasshoppers *which are one of our most destructive insect pests* can leap nearly twenty times the length of their bodies.

E N 13. We will usually accept harsh criticism from a person *whom we consider a true friend*.

E N 14. Cindy *who had struck out in the third inning* hit a long drive.

E N 15. Is it true that people *who are good at math* often make good scientists?

E N 16. The moon *which had been shining brightly* suddenly disappeared behind a heavy cloud.

E N 17. Britain *which was busy with a European war* paid little attention to the War of 1812 until Napoleon was defeated.

E N 18. "Green Willow" *which I am reading for English class* is a Japanese folk tale.

E N 19. Michael Jordan is the athlete *whom I would most like to meet*.

E N 20. Many Arawaks died of diseases *that European explorers brought to the West Indies*.