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Revising Subordinate Clause Fragments

EXERCISE A Each of the following items contains a subordinate clause fragment and an independent clause. Correct each subordinate clause fragment by linking it to the independent clause. You may need to change some punctuation and capitalization. Write your revisions on the lines provided.

Example 1. Stories of people can inspire us. Who have overcome difficulties.

Stories of people who have overcome difficulties can inspire us.

1. Alice Walker was born in 1944. Who was the youngest of eight children.

2. She had an unfortunate accident. When she was eight years old.

3. She was blinded in one eye. When she was shot by a BB gun.

4. Even though the resulting scar made her self-conscious. She did not let it control her life.

5. Walker believed she could accomplish almost anything. If she set her mind to it.

6. Jaime Escalante became famous for his success in teaching underprivileged students at Garfield High School in Los Angeles. Where he was a math instructor.

7. Escalante knew he could reach these students. Whose potential he recognized.

8. Although it was not easy. Escalante demanded excellence from his students.

9. So many of his students passed an exam in calculus that testing officials had them take another, more difficult test. Which they also passed.

10. Wherever he taught. Escalante's message was the same: "Believe in your dreams."

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