

Exercises

1. Determine whether the underlined words are dependent clauses, independent clauses, or not a clause.

1. Although it was raining, Maria went for a jog at Civitan Park.
2. Brianna eats chocolate whenever she gets a poor grade in math.
3. After the flood, the family moved into a temporary shelter.
4. While walking at the park, John saw a raccoon eating potato chips.
5. Students who fail to show up for the Regents' test must enroll in the Regents' remediation courses.
6. When you finish your homework, please take the dog for a walk.
7. Before completing the assignment, Evan decided to eat a quick lunch.

2. Identify the following sentences as either dependent (DC) or independent (IC).

1. I went to the park. _____
2. Sandra and Lara have been good friends since first grade. _____
3. Although Shaina likes Mexican, Iraqi, Somali, and Italian food. _____
4. After swimming in the ocean. _____
5. Animal communication is not considered to be a legitimate language by some scientists. _____
6. When Jim and Ayman eat lunch together in the breakroom. _____

3. Properly join the clauses.

1. When I went to the zoo + I looked at the animals.

2. He came to class + He forgot his homework.

3. We studied all night + Therefore, we did well on the test.

4. She might have been sick + Maybe her car broke down.

5. They went out to eat + Because they were hungry.

4. Select the answer choice that identifies the independent clause in each sentence.

1. By the time that he arrived at the house, the rest of the group had already left.

- A. The rest of the group already had left
- B. By the time that he arrived at the house
- C. That he arrived at the house
- D. The rest of the group

2. If it is raining, you should take an umbrella.

- A. If it is raining
- B. You should take
- C. An umbrella
- D. You should take an umbrella

3 . When you go to the beach, be sure to bring sunscreen.

- A. When you go
- B. Be sure to bring sunscreen

- C. To the beach
- D. When you go to the beach

4. I know that you are still waiting.

- A. I know that you
- B. You are still
- C. I know
- D. Waiting

5. This painting is a work that has endured for many centuries.

- A. This painting is a work
- B. That has endured
- C. For many centuries
- D. A work that has endured

6. She is a lovely person; I have always liked her.

- A. She is a lovely person
- B. I have always liked her
- C. Both answers A and B
- D. Person; I have always