

Clauses (Practice)

Exercise 01: Underline the dependent clauses and double underline the independent clauses in the following sentences.

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Exercise 02: Identify the type of the underlined clauses.

1. You may sit wherever you like.
2. As she was not there, I spoke to her sister.
3. Will you wait till I return?
4. I fear that I shall fail.
5. I do not know what he wants.
6. I think you have made a mistake.
7. Mary had a little lamb whose fleece was white as snow.
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10. The house that I live in belongs to my grandfather.

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7. Mary had a little lamb whose fleece was white as snow. → Adjective Clause
8. Here is the copy you want. – Adjective Clause
9. She never does anything unless her parents allow it. → Adjective Clause
10. The house that I live in belongs to my grandfather. → Adjective Clause