OPTIONAL EXERCISES FOR THE CLAUSES TEST

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IDENTIFYING PHRASES: Underline the phrase in the following sentences. Then, tell what kind of phrase it is (gerund, participle, infinitive, appositive, or absolute) and identify its function in the sentence OR tell what word it modifies.

1. Gerald wants to visit Quebec, but he will have to wait for his next vacation.
2. The three contestants listened carefully to each question.
3. Hoping for a miracle, the doctors continued the surgery.
4. Visiting hours having ended, George threw away the flowers he had bought.
5. Having won the lottery, Rebecca bought a mansion.
6. Our company supports donating time to charity.
7. Dr. Dre, an original member of N.W.A., was born in Los Angeles.
8. Alexander, bleeding from the knife wound in his stomach, crawled back toward his armored limousine.
9. Richard’s chance to make his point slipped away.
10. The clock having struck midnight, it was time for Cinderella to leave the ball.

IDENTIFYING CLAUSES: Underline the dependent clause in the following sentences. Then, tell what kind of clause it is (noun, adjective, or adverb) and identify its function in the sentence OR tell what word it modifies.

11. Amy Tan, who is Kim’s favorite author, has written a new novel.
12. Fortunately, he knows exactly what he wants.
13. After we eat dinner, will you tell us a ghost story?
14. Rumors are that Dr. Hanna will be the university’s next president.
15. I recently learned that to graduate I do not need to take History 205.
16. We will get there before dark unless we have trouble finding the road.

17. The road, which is not marked, is easily missed.

18. Dr. Crawford is someone whose sense of humor never fails him.

19. Jose has not decided what he wants to do the rest of his life.

20. Because we were early, we were asked to set up the film projector.

21. What I found difficult to understand was his obsessive interest in insects.

22. The subject that I like best is English.

23. What is the name of the professor whom everyone recommends for History?

**PUNCTUATING CLAUSES:** Are these sentences wrong or right? If they’re wrong, how would you correct them?

24. The nurse removed the needle, Jose’s blood went everywhere.

25. It spurted up and dripped onto the floor.

26. It was scary, however, Jose didn’t seem to mind.

27. He took his complementary t-shirt, and ate an oatmeal creme pie.

28. He left the small gymnasium snapping his fingers and humming a song.

**KINDS OF SENTENCES.** Tell whether each sentence below is simple (S), compound (CD), complex (CX) or compound/complex (CD/CX).

29. I know what you are going to say.

30. I admire Tim, but he doesn’t admire me, although I try hard to impress him.

31. I will ride with you, and Patsy will stay at home.

32. I was sorry that I could not attend the meeting, but my throat was sore.

33. Some students like to study in the morning.

34. I ate an enchilada before I went on the rollercoaster, and now I feel sick.

35. Will goes to the library and studies every day.
36. Charlie gets to school early every morning, and he spends the time studying.

37. I got a ticket after the cop caught me speeding.

38. Bailey is joyous because he has a test tomorrow.