

Clauses

Q1.

What kind of **clause** is underlined in the sentence below?

If they could afford to, the ancient Romans ate well.

1 mark

Q2.

Underline the **adverbial** in the sentence below.

Last week, Ruby went swimming and played football.

1 mark

Q3.

Complete the sentence below with a **relative clause**. Remember to punctuate your answer correctly.

His sister, _____ ,

is learning to speak Polish.

1 mark

Q4.

What is the grammatical term for the underlined part of the sentence?

Charlie spilt his juice, but it didn't go on his shirt.

Tick **one**.

an adverbial

a main clause

a noun phrase

a subordinate clause

1 mark

Q5.

Underline the **relative clause** in the sentence below.

The old house that is next to our school is for sale.

1 mark

Q6.

Underline the **relative clause** in each sentence.

We visited the funfair that came to our town.

My uncle who lives in Australia has sent me a present.

My friend whose rabbit I look after is on holiday.

1 mark

Q7.

Tick one box in each row to show whether the underlined clause is a **main clause** or a **subordinate clause**.

Sentence	Main clause	Subordinate clause
The school, <u>which has three playing fields</u> , opened in 1967.		
Although I had cycled to school, <u>I still had the energy for my lessons</u> .		
<u>We will be proud</u> if we try our best.		

1 mark

Q8.

Tick one box in each row to show if the underlined clause is a **main clause** or a **subordinate clause**.

Sentence	Main clause	Subordinate clause
Billie, <u>who was nine years old</u> , loved to play tennis.		
Billie's mum bought her a tennis racket <u>so that she could play more often</u> .		
<u>Billie could not play tennis with her friend Lana</u> because Lana did not have a racket.		

1 mark

Q9.

Rewrite the sentence below, adding a **subordinate clause**.
Remember to punctuate your answer correctly.

The children played on the swings.

1 mark

Q10.

Which sentence contains a **relative clause**?

Tick **one**.

The boy who I met at the park is in my class.

The team is going to play a match tomorrow.

Sue said that she wanted to learn to play the drums.

Whenever they have time, they like to go cycling.

1 mark

Mark schemes

Q1.

Award 1 mark for *subordinate clause* or an abbreviation that makes the intention clear, e.g.

- *subordinate*
- *sub clause*
- *subordinating*

There are no spelling or punctuation requirements for this question.

1 mark

Q2.

Award 1 mark for the correctly underlined words.

Last week, Ruby went swimming and played football.

1 mark

Q3.

Award 1 mark for a grammatically correct relative clause, e.g.

- *His sister, who is at high school, is learning to speak Polish.*
- *His sister, whose hair is red, is learning to speak Polish.*
- *His sister, who's called Tara, is learning to speak Polish.*
- *His sister, who studied French last year, is learning to speak Polish.*
- *His sister, who had always wanted to travel, is learning to speak Polish.*
- *His sister, who will be going to Poland soon, is learning to speak Polish.*

Do not accept a grammatically incorrect relative clause, e.g

- *His sister, which is 15, is learning to speak Polish.*
- *His sister, that is at university, is learning to speak Polish.*

1 mark

Q4.

a main clause

1 mark

Q5.

Award 1 mark for the full relative clause underlined.

The old house that is next to our school is for sale.

1 mark

Q6.

Award 1 mark for all three correct.

We visited the funfair that came to our town.

My uncle who lives in Australia has sent me a present.

My friend whose rabbit I look after is on holiday.

1 mark

Q7.

Award 1 mark for a correctly completed table.

Sentence	Main clause	Subordinate clause
The school, <u>which has three playing fields</u> , opened in 1967.		✓
Although I had cycled to school, <u>I still had the energy for my lessons</u> .	✓	
<u>We will be proud</u> if we try our best.	✓	

1 mark

Q8.

Award 1 mark for a correctly completed table.

Sentence	Main clause	Subordinate clause
Billie, <u>who was nine years old</u> , loved to play tennis.		<input type="checkbox"/>
Billie's mum bought her a tennis racket <u>so that she could play more often</u> .		<input type="checkbox"/>
<u>Billie could not play tennis with her friend Lana</u> because Lana did not have a racket.	<input type="checkbox"/>	

1 mark

Q9.

Award 1 mark for a grammatically correct sentence containing a subordinate clause and using correct punctuation, e.g.

- *The children played on the swings until it was late.*
- *The children, who went to my school, played on the swings.*
- *The children, chattering happily, played on the swings.*
- *Before going to school, the children played on the swings.*

Do not accept:

- punctuation errors
- responses that use a phrase instead of a subordinate clause, e.g.
 - *The children played on the swings until tea time.*
- responses that rewrite the sentence by adding another main clause, e.g.
 - *The children played on the swings and then they went home.*

1 mark

Q10.

The boy who I met at the park is in my class.

1 mark