Self-check CU1M2 Sentences, Clauses, and Phrases

1. A dependent clause can work well in a sentence when it is placed:

at the beginning of the sentence.

in the middle of the sentence.

at the end of the sentence.

all of these answers.

2. In order to express a complete idea, what does the following writing sample need?

When the snow finally stopped and the power came back on.

A subject

A verb

\*\*An independent clause

A noun

3. In order to express a complete idea, what, if anything, does the following writing sample need?

The girl in the window at the corner table of the local brew pub on the busiest street in town.

A subject

\*\*A verb

A phrase

It is already a complete thought.

4. In the following writing sample, choose the best answer to describe the underlined passage:

In Josef P. Kassatkin's essay, "Round Up: A Love Story," the author states that his mother's best friend was a member of the royal family.

\*\*An independent clause

A dependent clause

A verb

A phrase

5. On the coast of Africa, where the wind howls and the sea is greeted eagerly by the rocky shore.

The above writing sample is best described as \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

\*\*\* an incomplete thought

a dependent clause followed by an independent clause

an independent clause followed by an independent clause

a complete thought

6. Read the following writing sample and decide how, if at all, it should be revised so that it expresses a complete idea.

Although she remained completely unaware of it until her dying day.

\*\*Change the period to a comma and add an independent clause at the end.

Change the period to an exclamation point.

change the word "she" to a proper name.

No revision needed.

7. Read the following writing sample and decide how, if at all, it should be revised so that it expresses a complete idea.

Finally, it was competition day, and I was more than a little nervous.

Change the period to a comma and add a dependent clause at the end.

Change the word "and" to "although."

Add a phrase after "Finally,"

\*\*No revision needed.

8. Read the following writing sample and decide how, if at all, it should be revised so that it expresses a complete idea.

The waiter waited.

Add a verb

Add a subject

Change the period to a comma and add an independent clause.

\*\*No revision needed.

9. Sarindu favors the color red over blue.

The above writing sample is best described as \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

\*\*an independent clause

a dependent clause

a phrase

a verb phrase

10. The following is a dependent clause:

When she walked home in the rain.

Which of the following revisions results in an independent clause followed by a dependent clause?

When she walked home in the rain and felt happy.

With her favorite umbrella, when she walked home in the rain.

When she walked home in the rain feeling happy.

\*\*My sister felt happy when she walked home in the rain.

11. The following is a dependent clause:

While talking on his cellphone and eating potato chips.

Which of the following revisions results in an independent clause followed by a dependent clause?

While talking on his cellphone and eating potato chips.

\*\*Gary was distracted while talking on his cellphone and eating potato chips.

While Gary was talking on his cellphone and eating potato chips. Sitting in class talking on his cellphone and eating potato chips.

Sitting in class talking on his cellphone and eating potato chips.

12. The following underlined segment is an example of what?

Disney's Frozen is one of my all-time favorite children's movies.

An independent clause

A dependent clause

\*\*A phrase

A subordinate clause

13. What do all sentences need?

\*\*An independent clause

A dependent clause

A subordinate clause

A verb clause

14. What do both independent clauses and dependent clauses have in common?

They don't actually have anything in common.

They both express a complete idea.

They both are necessary in creating a complete sentence.

\*\*They both contain a subject and a verb.

15. What is an accurate description of the following writing sample?

Even though Sarah Smithers had promised to deliver the blueprints, they never arrived.

\*\*There is a dependent clause followed by an independent clause.

There is an independent clause followed by a dependent clause.

There are two dependent clauses followed by an independent clause.

There is a phrase between two dependent clauses.

16. What is another name for a dependent clause?

A main clause

\*\*\*A subordinate clause

A phrase

A necessary clause

17. Why can't a dependent clause stand alone as a sentence?

It doesn't have a subject and a verb.

It doesn't contain enough words.

\*\*\*It doesn't express a complete idea.

It needs another dependent clause separated by a comma.