



# Revision Guides

# Clauses in a Sentence

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# Introduction

In our previous tutorial we learned  
about

Main Clause (or independent clause)  
Subordinate Clause (or dependent  
clause)  
Adjective Clause (or relative clause),

And we explored how to recognize a  
clause in any sentence and their  
types.

In this tutorial we are exploring more  
about a Noun Clause.

# Noun Clause

A noun clause is a type of dependent clause that acts as a noun in the sentence.

A noun clause will always contain a subject and a verb. However, it cannot stand alone as a complete thought.

## HOW TO RECOGNIZE NOUN CLAUSES

Noun clauses are usually pretty easy to find. Consider them as subjects, objects, or complements in a sentence. Just look for the verb and ask who or what is doing it, or what it is being done to.

Then look for the common words that introduce a noun clause:

that, whether OR if, Question words like (who, what, where, when, why, how), and words with -ever (whoever, wherever, whatever)

# Example

Let's try few examples -

**Whoever thought of that idea is a genius.**

In this sentence,

Whoever thought of that idea is a noun clause. It contains the subject whoever and the verb thought. The clause acts as a subject in the sentence.

**My greatest asset is that I am a hard worker.**

In this sentence,

That I am a hard worker is a noun clause. It contains the subject I and the verb am.

The clause acts as a predicate nominative in the sentence, identifying asset.



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