

NAME

Lesson 11.8.2 Adjective Clauses

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EXERCISE 1 Finding and Distinguishing Adjective Clauses

In each sentence, underline the adjective clause. If the clause is essential to the meaning of the sentence, write *E* on the line. If the clause is not essential, write *NE*.

Adjective clauses can help you combine sentences smoothly.

Without clause:

The bottles piled up in the garbage can. The bottles could have been recycled.

With clause:

The bottles, *which could have been recycled*, piled up in the garbage can.

EXAMPLE ^E The empty plastic bottles that lie alongside the road are ugly.
 ^{NE} Plastic bottles, which are a problem around the globe, have been in the news lately.

1. A small town called Bundanoon, which is in southwestern Australia, banned the sale of bottled water.
2. The townspeople worried about the environmental effects that bottles can have.
3. Bundanoon, where more than 350 people voted for the ban, may be a model for other communities.
4. Bundanooners do not plan to fine tourists who bring water bottles into town.
5. Instead, tourists can refill their bottles from fountains that are near the center of town.
6. Store owners who sold bottled water supported the ban, even though it caused them to lose some money.
7. They believed the benefits, which include less litter and smaller landfills, were worth the loss of revenue.
8. Italians, who used to drink more than forty gallons of bottled water per person per year, are drinking more tap water.
9. In the Italian city of Venice, which has canals instead of roads, the litter from empty plastic bottles is expensive to haul away.
10. Americans, who consume an average of twenty-nine gallons of bottled water per person per year, may want to use the town of Bundanoon as a model.

EXERCISE 2 Writing with Adjective Clauses

Write three persuasive sentences that explain why plastic water bottles should or should not be banned. Include an adjective clause in each sentence.

EXAMPLE Bottles that are cheap and convenient should not be banned.
