

NAME

Lesson 11.8.3 Adverb Clauses

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EXERCISE 1 Finding Adverb Clauses

Underline the adverb clause in each sentence. If the sentence contains an elliptical adverb clause, write the missing words on the line.

An adverb clause can modify a verb, an adjective, or another adverb.

Examples:

The inventor worked *until dawn arrived*. (modifies the verb *worked*)

She felt happy *when she solved the problem*. (modifies the adjective *happy*)

She worked harder *than you can imagine*. (modifies the adverb *harder*)

EXAMPLES I want to see the invention as soon as it is finished. _____

Marcus is more interested in inventions than I am _____

1. New artificial limbs require more battery power than old ones. _____
2. People with prosthetic arms or legs use the batteries even though the devices are heavy. _____
3. The new limbs are often clumsy, though much better than the old ones. _____
4. Inventors are working on new battery technology so that people’s lives will be easier. _____
5. Because they wanted to help amputees, American and Canadian scientists invented a “people power” device. _____
6. After they did much research, they created a knee brace that generates power from motion. _____
7. As soon as the wearer begins walking, the brace generates energy. _____
8. The brace continues to harvest power until the person stops moving. _____
9. One minute of walking provides more energy than a cell phone needs for twenty-five minutes. _____
10. When this same technology is used in hybrid cars, it is called regenerative braking. _____

EXERCISE 2 Writing with Adverb Clauses

On the lines below, write three questions that you would like to ask the inventors of the knee brace described in Exercise 1. In each question, underline the adverb clause. Then draw a box around the verb, adjective, or adverb that the clause modifies.

EXAMPLE Did the invention take longer than you had expected?
