

Reduced Relative Clauses Worksheet

Advanced C1-C2 · Side A

Name: _____ Date: _____ Score: / 20

Exercise A · Reduce the relative clause (Q1-5)

Rewrite using a participial phrase.

1. The woman who is standing by the door is my manager.
-> _____
2. The report that was written by the team won an award.
-> _____
3. The students who are taking the exam need to be quiet.
-> _____
4. The package that was delivered this morning is on your desk.
-> _____
5. The man who owns the bakery is very friendly.
-> _____

Exercise B · True or False (Q6-10)

Write T (true) or F (false).

6. Active relative clauses can be reduced using a present participle (-ing).
Answer: _____
7. Passive relative clauses can be reduced using a past participle.
Answer: _____
8. Non-defining relative clauses can always be reduced.
Answer: _____
9. 'The boy playing football' is a reduced relative clause.
Answer: _____
10. 'The letter written by her' uses a present participle.
Answer: _____

Reduced Relative Clauses Worksheet - Side B

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Exercise C · Expand the reduced clause (Q11-14)

Rewrite as a full relative clause.

11. The man arrested by the police was released the next day.

-> _____

12. Anyone wanting to join should register in advance.

-> _____

13. The bridge built in 1890 is still in use.

-> _____

14. The child sleeping in the corner is my nephew.

-> _____

Exercise D · Multiple choice (Q15-17)

Choose the correct reduced form.

15. The results ___ last week confirmed our hypothesis.

(a) publishing (b) published (c) being published

16. The people ___ in the queue had been waiting for hours.

(a) stood (b) standing (c) having stood

17. Any student ___ in the project should submit a form.

(a) interested (b) interesting (c) being interested

Exercise E · Write your own reduced relative clauses (Q18-20)

Use participial phrases in your sentences.

18. Reduce an active relative clause (present participle) ->

-> _____

19. Reduce a passive relative clause (past participle) ->

-> _____

20. Write a sentence with either a full or reduced clause ->

-> _____

Answer Sheet - Reduced Relative Clauses Worksheet

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Exercise A - Reduce the relative clause

Q1-5

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Exercise B - True or False

Q6-10

6. T
7. T
8. F
9. T
10. F

Exercise C - Expand the reduced clause

Q11-14

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Exercise D - Multiple choice

Q15-17

15. published
16. standing
17. interested

Exercise E - Write your own reduced relative clauses

Q18-20

18. (own answer)
19. (own answer)
20. (own answer)

Total: 20 points | Side A: Q1-10 | Side B: Q11-20