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Identifying and Writing Clauses Worksheet

A clause is a group of words that contains a verb and its subject.

There are two kinds of clauses, *independent* and *dependent*.

An **independent clause** expresses a complete thought and can stand by itself as a sentence.

A **dependent clause** does not express a complete thought and cannot stand alone as a sentence.

Directions: Identify each sentence below as an independent clause or a dependent clause.

Example A: walked to the park

Answer: dependent clause

1. The boy calmly took his test. _____

2. How he got picked, _____

3. Until the sun sets, _____

4. John hit the baseball. _____

5. I did not remember my homework. _____

6. After he gave up wrestling, _____

Directions: On the lines provided, write a complete sentence by adding an independent clause to each dependent clause below.

Example A: So long as you know,

Answer: So long as you know, I was first in my class.

7. before we leave,

8. If you can work this weekend,
