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Practicing Adjective Clauses

I. Choose the correct answer.

Example: Friends are people B close to us.

- A. who is B. who are C. which is D. which are

1. "Who is eligible for the scholarship?"

"Anyone _____ scholastic record is above average can apply for the scholarship."

- A. who has a B. has a C. who's a D. whose

2. Dr. Sales is a person _____.

- A. in whom I don't have much confidence C. whom I don't have much confidence in him
B. in that I don't have much confidence D. I don't have much confidence

3. "Is April twenty-first the day _____?"

"No, the twenty-second."

- A. you'll arrive then C. on that you'll arrive
B. when you'll arrive D. when you'll arrive on

4. The severe drought _____ occurred last summer ruined the corn crop.

- A. that it B. which it C. it D. that

5. Florida, _____ the Sunshine State, attracts many tourists every year.

- A. is B. known as C. is known as D. that is known as

6. The new shopping mall is gigantic. It's advertised as a place _____ you can find just about anything you might want to buy.

- A. where B. which C. in where D. in that

7. Lola's marriage has been arranged by her family. She is marrying a man _____.

- A. that she hardly knows him C. she hardly knows
B. whom she hardly knows him D. she hardly knows him

8. People who exercise frequently have greater physical endurance than those _____.

- A. who doesn't B. that doesn't C. which don't D. who don't

9. "Is this the address to _____ you want the package sent?"

- A. where B. that C. which D. whom

10. Ann quit her job at the advertising agency, _____ surprised everyone.

- A. which B. that C. who D. that it

11. That book is by a famous anthropologist. It's about the people in Samoa _____ for two years.
A. that she lived
B. that she lived among them
C. among whom she lived
D. where she lived among them
12. The missing man's family is desperately seeking anyone _____ information about his activities.
A. has
B. having
C. who has
D. have
13. The publishers expect that the new biography of Simon Bolivar will be bought by people _____ in Latin American history.
A. who are interested
B. are interested
C. interested
D. they are interested
14. I have always wanted to visit Paris, _____ of France.
A. is the capital
B. which the capital is
C. that is the capital
D. the capital
15. The chemistry book _____ was a little expensive.
A. that I bought it
B. I bought that
C. what I bought
D. I bought
16. "Have you ever met the man _____ over there?"
"No. Who is he?"
A. stands
B. standing
C. is standing
D. who he is standing
17. "Do you have the book _____ the teacher?"
"Yes, I do."
A. that it belongs to
B. to which belongs to
C. to which belongs
D. that belongs to
18. The voters were overwhelmingly against the candidate _____ proposals called for higher taxes.
A. who his
B. whose
C. whom he had
D. that his
19. "Do you remember Mrs. Goddard, _____ taught us English composition?"
"I certainly do."
A. who
B. whom
C. that
D. which
20. I have three brothers, _____ are businessmen.
A. that all of them
B. who they all
C. all of whom
D. who all of them

II. **Directions:** In the spaces, write all the pronouns possible to complete the sentences. Write \emptyset if the sentence is correct without adding a pronoun. Look at the examples.

Examples: a. Mr. Green is the man who(m)/that/ \emptyset I was talking about.

b. She is the woman who/that sits next to me in class.

1. A barrel is a large container _____ is made of wood or metal.
2. Alex bought a bicycle _____ is specially designed for long-distance racing.
3. Hunger and poverty are worldwide problems to _____ solutions must be found.
4. I enjoyed talking with the man _____ I sat next to on the plane.
5. I read about a woman _____ makes old-fashioned clocks for a living.
6. Louise, tell us about the movie _____ you saw last night.
7. People _____ don't get enough sleep may become short-tempered and irritable.
8. People _____ fear flying avoid traveling by plane.
9. That is the man _____ daughter won the spelling bee.
10. The bat is the only mammal _____ can fly.
11. The cold weather _____ swept in from the north damaged their fruit crop.
12. The hat _____ Tom is wearing is unusual.
13. The people about _____ the novelist wrote were factory workers and their families.
14. The person to _____ Ann spoke could not answer her question.
15. The subject about _____ Dr. Gold spoke was interesting.
16. The subjects _____ we talk about in class are interesting.
17. The teacher _____ I like the most is Mrs. Grange.
18. We used the map _____ my sister drew for us.

III. **Directions:** Combine the pairs of simple sentences into a complex sentence, using the second sentence as an adjective clause. Look at the examples.

Examples: Louis knows the woman. The woman is meeting us at the airport.

Louis knows the woman **who/that** is meeting us at the airport.

Do you know the man? His car is parked over there.
Do you know the man whose car is parked over there?

I received two job offers. I accepted neither of them.
I received two job offers, neither of which I accepted.

1. The chair is an antique. Sally inherited it from her grandmother.

2. Did you read the book? It describes California.

3. Did you read the book? Mr. Miller described it.

4. Did you see the man? He wrote the book.

5. Did you see the man? John described him.

6. I know a woman. Her name is May Day.

7. I miss seeing the old woman. She used to sell flowers on that street corner.

8. I read the book. It describes New York.

9. I read the book. John described it.

10. I took a picture of the rainbow. It appeared in the sky after the shower.

11. Mary tutors students. They need extra help in geometry.

12. Mrs. Lake is the teacher. I enjoy her class the most.

13. The architect is brilliant. Mario works with him.

14. The bench was wet. I sat on it.

15. The man finished the job in four days. I hired him to paint my house.

16. The people were very hospitable. We visited their home.

17. This is the homework. It is from Lesson 16.

18. This is the homework. We did it yesterday.

19. I have three brothers. Two of them are professional athletes.

20. Jerry is engaged in several business ventures. Only one of them is profitable.

21. The United States of America is a union of fifty states. The majority of them are located east of the Mississippi River.

22. The two women have already dissolved their business partnership. Both of them are changing careers.

23. Tom is proud of his success. Much of it has been due to hard work, but some of it has been due to good luck.

IV. *Directions:* Circle YES if the adjective clause requires commas and add them in the appropriate places. Circle NO if the adjective clause does not require commas. Look at the examples.

Examples:

a. YES NO I made an appointment with a doctor who is considered an expert on eye disorders.

b. YES NO I made an appointment with Dr. Raven, who is considered an expert on eye disorders.

1. YES NO The car that Al bought had had three previous owners, but it was in excellent condition.

2. YES NO We thoroughly enjoyed the music which we heard at the concert last Sunday.

3. YES NO Bogotá which is the capital of Colombia is a cosmopolitan city.

4. YES NO They climbed Mount Rainier which is in the State of Washington twice last year.

5. YES NO Emeralds which are valuable gemstones are mined in Colombia.

6. YES NO The company offered the position to John whose department performed best this year.

7. YES NO On our trip to Africa we visited Nairobi which is near several fascinating game reserves and then traveled to Egypt to see the pyramids.

8. YES NO I think the waiter who took our order used to work at Captain Bob's Restaurant.

9. YES NO Someone who understands physics better than I do is going to have to help you.

10. YES NO Larry was very close to his only brother who was a famous social historian.
11. YES NO Violent tropical storms that occur in western Asia are called typhoons.
12. YES NO Similar storms that occur on the Atlantic side of the Americas are called hurricanes rather than typhoons.
13. YES NO A typhoon which is a violent tropical storm can cause great destruction.
14. YES NO According to the news report, the typhoon that threatened to strike the Indonesian coast has moved away from land and toward open water.
15. YES NO Thirty people two of whom were members of the crew were killed in the ferry accident.
16. YES NO I'm trying to convince my mother to buy a small car which has front-wheel drive instead of a large car with rear-wheel drive.
17. YES NO Over 500 students took the entrance examination the results of which will be posted in the administration building at the end of the month.
18. YES NO The newspapers carried the story of an accident in which four pedestrians were injured.
19. YES NO The newly married couple that lives next door just moved here from California.
20. YES NO The new supervisor was not happy with his work crew none of whom seemed interested in doing quality work.
21. YES NO My oldest brother in whose house I lived for six months when I was ten has been a father to me in many ways.
22. YES NO Tom is always interrupting me which makes me mad.
23. YES NO To express the uselessness of worrying, Mark Twain once said, "I've had a lot of problems in my life most of which never happened."

V. *Directions:* Choose the correct answer or answers.

Examples:

a. Ms. Donaldson, A teaches linguistics at the university, recently received recognition for her research on the use of gestures in communication.

A. who B. whom C. which D. that E. ∅

b. A woman A, D teaches linguistics at the university received an award for outstanding research.

A. who B. whom C. which D. that E. ∅

1. The earth, _____ is the fifth largest planet in the solar system, is the third planet from the sun.
A. who B. whom C. which D. that E. Ø
2. A grant of \$1.5 million was awarded to Dr. Sato, _____ has impressed the scientific community with his research on the common cold.
A. who B. whom C. which D. that E. Ø
3. The award for the Most Valuable Player was won by a player _____ the coaches and the entire team respect.
A. who B. whom C. which D. that E. Ø
4. The award was won by Dennis Johnson, _____ the coach highly respects.
A. who B. whom C. which D. that E. Ø
5. My accountant, _____ understands the complexities of the tax system, is doing my taxes this year.
A. who B. whom C. which D. that E. Ø
6. The school board voted to close a neighborhood elementary school. The decision, _____ affected over 200 students, was not warmly received in the community.
A. who B. whom C. which D. that E. Ø
7. Our office needs a secretary _____ knows how to use various word processing programs.
A. who B. whom C. which D. that E. Ø
8. The winner of the Nobel Prize in physics dedicated the honor to his high school physics teacher, _____ had been an inspiration during his early years.
A. who B. whom C. which D. that E. Ø
9. The consultant _____ was hired to advise us never really understood our situation.
A. who B. whom C. which D. that E. Ø
10. I gave the check to Oliver, _____ promptly cashed it and spent all the money before the day was out.
A. who B. whom C. which D. that E. Ø
11. The check _____ I gave Oliver was for work he'd done for me.
A. who B. whom C. which D. that E. Ø

VI. *Directions:* Change the adjective clauses to adjective phrases. Look at the examples.

Examples:

- a. Only a few of the movies that are shown at the Gray Theater are suitable for children.
Only a few of the movies shown at the Gray Theater are suitable for children.

b. We visited Madrid, which is the capital of Spain..

We visited Madrid, the capital of Spain.

1. The couple who live in the house next door are both college professors.

2. Astronomy, which is the study of planets and stars, is one of the world's oldest sciences.

3. Only a small fraction of the eggs that are laid by a fish actually hatch and survive to adulthood.

4. Jasmine, which is a viny plant with fragrant flowers, grows only in warm places.

5. Arizona, which was once thought to be a useless desert, is today a rapidly growing industrial and agricultural state.

6. Simon Bolivar, who was a great South American general, led the fight for independence early in the 19th century.

7. In hot weather, many people enjoy lemonade, which is a drink that is made from lemon juice, water, and sugar.

8. I was awakened by the sound of laughter which came from the room which was next to mine at the motel.

9. Few tourists ever see a jaguar, which is a spotted wild cat that is native to tropical America.

10. None of the pedestrians who were walking up and down the busy street stopped to help or even inquire about the elderly man who was slumped in the doorway of an apparently unoccupied building.

11. Food that passes from the mouth to the stomach goes through a tube which is called the esophagus.

12. Animals that are born in a zoo generally adjust to captivity better than those that are captured in the wild.

13. The children attended a special movie program that consisted of cartoons that featured Donald Duck and Mickey Mouse.

14. One of the most important foodstuffs in the world is flour, which is a fine powder that is made by grinding wheat or other grains.

15. Nero, who was Emperor of Rome from A.D. 54 to 68, is believed to have murdered both his mother and his wife.

16. The conclusion which is presented in that book states that most of the automobiles which are produced by American industry in the 1960s and '70s had some defect.

17. Pictures that showed the brutality of war entered the living rooms of millions of TV watchers on the nightly news.

18. The Indians who lived in Peru before the discovery of the New World by Europeans belonged to the Incan culture.

19. My uncle Elias, who is a restaurant owner, often buys fish and shellfish from boats that are docked at the local pier. Customers come from miles around to dine on a seafood feast that is considered to be the best in all of the northeastern United States.

20. Hundreds of volunteers went to a northern village yesterday to reinforce firefighters who are trying to save a settlement which is threatened by a forest fire. The fire started when a cigarette ignited oil which was leaking from a machine which is used to cut timber.

21. Researchers have developed a way to mark genes so that they glow in the dark, which is a technique that scientists can use to follow specific genetic activity of cells which are within plants and animals. This development, which was announced by the National Science

Foundation, which is the sponsor of the research, should prove useful to scientists who study the basic functions of organisms.

VII. *Directions:* Add commas where necessary.

1. A national holiday has been established in memory of Martin Luther King, Jr. the leader of the civil rights movement in the United States in the 1950s and 1960s.
2. Neil Armstrong the first person to set foot on the moon reported that the surface was fine and powdery.
3. Mark Twain is an author known far and wide as one of the greatest American humorists.
4. Susan B. Anthony one of the first leaders of the campaign for women's rights worked tirelessly during her lifetime to gain the right to vote for women.