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#### Chapter Nine

## The 1st Lecture

#### **Types of Sentences**

before studying the essay, students should know that when they know how to use various types of sentences, their writing will be clear and interesting. Therefore, studying clauses will help students to develop varied types of well-structures sentences.

Clause are the building blocks of the sentences. A clause is a group of words that contain a subject and a verb.

#### **Independent and Dependent Clause**

an independent clause contains a subject, a verb, and sometimes a complement. It can stands alone as a sentence.

Dependent clause

dependent clause is formed with a subordinator such as when,

that... etc. it also has a subject and a verb and sometimes complement. But it does not express a complete idea or a thought and cannot stand alone as a sentence. Using dependent clauses alone is an error which is referred to as a sentence fragment. The students will be asked to memorized as many subordinators as possible.

Kinds of Sentences a simple sentence is one independent clause.

**A compound sentence** has two independent clauses joining together by one of the following:

- \*. With a coordinator. There are seven coordinators which can be remembered by FAN BOYS phrase (for, and, nor, but, or, yet,so).
- \* with a conjunctive adverb which can be acted by several transition signals. Students will be asked to memorize them with their forms and use in a chart in the book.
- \*with a semicolon and this type of combining is possible only when the two independent clauses are closely related in meaning.

A complex sentence contains one independent clause and one (or more) dependent clauses. In the complex sentence one idea is more important than the other. Students should place the more important idea in the independent clause, and the less important idea in the dependent clause. There are three kinds of dependent clauses as follows:

- 1. Complex sentence with Adverb Clause an adverb clause acts like an adverb by telling when, where, and how. An adverb clause begins with a subordinator such as when, and it can come before or after the independent clause.
- 2- Complex Sentence with Adjective Clause an adjective clause acts like an adjective in describing a noun . It begins with a relative pronoun such as who, with a relative adverb such as where, . It follows the noun or the pronoun it describes.

Complex Sentence with a noun Clause noun clause acts like a noun that it can be a subject or an object. It begins with wh questions, that, and if.

A complex-compound clause has at least three clause: two are always independent, and one dependent clause. Students can use any combination of dependent and independent clause.