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Noun Clauses

A noun clause is a dependent clause that works **like a noun**. You can find it as a subject, object, or the complement of a subject (e.g., “The box is a present”).

There are three types of common noun clauses:

(1) “That” clauses

*He knows **that** noun clauses are difficult.*

For reference:

He knows **English**.

He knows **his teacher’s name**.

(2) “If” clauses:

*I don't know **if** my students have studied noun clauses before.*

*The teacher must determine **if** they are ready to study noun clauses.*

For reference:

I don't know **Swahili**.

The teacher must determine **our homework**.

(3) Wh-clauses that begin with words like who, what, how, whenever, which, etc.:

*I don't know **which** noun clauses to teach.*

*You first need to explain **what** a noun clause is.*

For reference:

You first need to explain **gravity**.



“That” Clauses

Choose a verb plus “that” to complete the following sentences.

1. Experts _____ exercise is important for health.
2. However, a recent magazine article _____ Americans do not exercise enough.
3. Dr. Jones, in a letter to Congress, _____ a campaign to increase the health of Americans is necessary.
4. He also _____ nutrition education in schools must begin in elementary school.
5. He _____ every American should change his/her lifestyle.

Practicing the verb in the base form in the “that” clause

Fictional Background Information: There is a sudden and serious reduction in the oil supply to our country. This has caused a shortage. As a result, the government is proposing restrictions on gasoline use for cars. Follow the example to make noun clauses.

Example:

What did the government order?

People must decrease their use of gasoline; they should not waste gas.

Answer: The government ordered that people decrease their gasoline use and that they not waste it.

1. What did the government demand?

Each family must reduce their gas usage by 30%.



2. What is necessary?

Everyone must obey the new restrictions.

3. What did the government require for people who live in the city?

People can only drive 3 times a week.

4. What is advisable?

People should conserve gas as much as possible.

5. What has been demanded of airlines?

Airlines should cut their trips by 25%.

6. What was suggested?

All workers use public transportation if possible.



