

In the following sentences state whether the subordinate clause is an adverb clause, adjective clause or noun clause.

1. They serve God well who serve His children.

Noun clause

Adjective clause

Adverb clause

Here the adjective clause 'who serve His children' modifies the noun God.

2. Quarrels won't last long if the fault is only on one side.

Adverb clause

Adjective clause

Noun clause

Here the subordinate adverb clause 'if the fault is only on one side' modifies the verb 'last long'.

3. That you should say so surprises me.

Noun clause

Adverb clause

Adjective clause

A noun clause can be the subject of a verb. Here the noun clause 'that you should say so' is the subject of the verb 'surprises'.

4. Your statement that you found the money in the closet cannot be believed.

Noun clause

Adjective clause

Adverb clause

Here the noun clause 'that you found the money in the closet' is in apposition to the noun 'statement'. Only noun clauses can be used like this.

5. I asked the boy how old he was.

Noun clause

Adjective clause

Adverb clause

Here the noun clause 'how old he was' is the object of the verb asked.

6. Uneasy lies the head that wears the crown.

Noun clause

Adverb clause

Adjective clause

Here the adjective clause 'that wears the crown' modifies the noun head. Adjective clauses modify nouns and give additional information about them.

7. Youth is the time when the seeds of character are sown.

Adverb clause

Adjective clause

Noun clause

Here the adjective clause when the seeds of character are sown modifies the noun time.

8. Servants who are honest are trusted.

Adjective clause

Adverb clause

Noun clause

Here the adjective clause 'who are honest' modifies the noun servants.

9. Because I like you, I shall help you.

Adverb clause

Adjective clause

Noun clause

An adverb clause of reason expresses the reason for the action mentioned in the main

clause.

10. The dog followed the boy wherever he went.

Adjective clause

Noun clause

Adverb clause

Here the adverb clause of place 'wherever he went' modifies the verb 'followed'.

11. If I like it, I will buy it.

Adjective clause

Noun clause

Adverb clause

Adverb clauses of condition are usually introduced by the conjunctions if, whether or unless.

12. They spoke in a low voice so that the child would not wake up.

Adjective clause

Adverb clause

Noun clause

Here the adverb clause 'so that the child would not wake up' expresses the purpose of the action mentioned in the main clause.

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## Answers

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9. Because I like you, I will help you. (Adverb clause of reason/cause)
10. The dog followed the boy wherever he went. (Adverb clause of place)
11. If I like it, I will buy it. (Adverb clause of condition)
12. They spoke in a low voice so that the child would not wake up. (Adverb clause)