

Lesson 286

Parts of the Sentence - Sentence Variety

Having learned about *phrases* and *clauses*, let's now use the following phrases and clauses to give variety to our writing: *participial phrases*, *adverb clauses*, *adjective clauses*, *compound sentences*, or *compound verbs*.

First identify which of the above ways is used in the sentence, and then rewrite it using the three other ways identifying each of the methods used.

Example:

Having finished my lessons, I sat back and gloried in my effort.

participial phrase

You must rewrite the above sentence using an *adverb clause*, *adjective clause*, and either a *compound sentence* or a *simple sentence* with *compound verbs*.

Rewrite of Example:

1) I *finished* my lessons, *sat* back, *and gloried* in my effort. = *compound verbs*

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2) *After I had finished my lessons*, I sat back and gloried in my effort.

adverb clause

3) I *who had finished my lessons* sat back and gloried in my effort.

adjective clause

Instructions: Identify the written sentence and rewrite it three other ways.

Note - There are other ways in which to write these sentences.

1. Watching the sunset above the mountain, John noticed the colors blending softly into one another.

2. The excited horse pawed the ground rapidly while it chewed on its bit and neighed continually.

3. The pilot climbed into his jet plane, adjusted his helmet, and attached his oxygen pack.