

Quiz 32-1: The comma

Add or delete commas where necessary in the following sentences. Do not change correct sentences. Example:

The Scott Pack, which is a twenty-five-pound steel bottle of air, is designed to be worn on a firefighter's back.

1. As he was writing up the report Officer Sweet heard a strange noise coming from the trash dumpster.
2. Juan walked through the room with casual elegant grace.
3. Going on an archaeological dig which has always been an ambition of mine seems out of the question this year.
4. The mob broke into the palace, and began raiding the opulent rooms.
5. The lawyer fully explained the contract, but we weren't certain we understood all of its implications.
6. Cobbled streets too narrow for two cars to pass, were lined with tiny houses leaning so close together they almost touched.
7. Armed with a tape recorder, notepad, and camera, I interviewed residents of Laura, Ohio, where my grandmother's family lived during the Depression.
8. In one corner of the attic, was a box of letters written in the late eighteenth century.
9. Charles Darwin's most important book *On the Origin of Species* was the product of twenty-five years of research.
10. It has been reported that the Republican who suggested Eisenhower as a presidential candidate meant Milton not Ike.