

EXERCISE 63-2 Identifying Subordinate Clauses

Underline the subordinate clauses in the following sentences. Be prepared to explain the function of each clause. Example:

Dig a well before you are thirsty. (*Adverb clause modifying Dig*)

- a. It is hard to fight an enemy who has outposts in your head. —Sally Kempton
 - b. A rattlesnake that doesn't bite teaches you nothing. —Jessamyn West
 - c. If love is the answer, could you please rephrase the question? —Lily Tomlin
 - d. Dreams say what they mean, but they don't say it in daytime language. —Gail Godwin
 - e. I generally avoid temptation unless I cannot resist it. —Mae West
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1. What history teaches us is that we have never learned anything from it.
—Georg Wilhelm Hegel
 2. When the insects take over the world, we hope that they will remember our picnics with gratitude.
—Anonymous
 3. A woman who will tell her age will tell anything. —Rita Mae Brown
 4. If triangles had a god, it would have three sides. —C. L. de Montesquieu
 5. He gave her a look that you could have poured on a waffle. —Ring Lardner