

## Lesson 22 Exercise 1

### CLAUSE or TRUNK?

Use the Yes/No question test to decide if each group of words is a TRUNK or a CLAUSE. The steps:

1. Find the X-word and the Subject:
2. Make a Y/N question.
3. Are all of the words used in the question?

\*                      \* X   Ving

1 My roommate and I are having a party.

Y/N: Are my roommate and I having a party?

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\* X   Ving

2 We're having it outside.

Y/N: Are we having it outside?

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\*                      Vxs

3 Because our apartment building has a patio.

Y/N: Does our apartment building have a patio? Because

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\* VxS

4 Unless it rains.

Y/N: Does it rain? Unless

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\* X   dtn

5 We have invited a lot of people.

Y/N: Have we invited a lot of people?

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\*      CW

6 Our friends who we both like.

Y/N: There is no verb, so we can't make a Y/N question.

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- 7 ★ X  
 Sometimes it is difficult.  
 Y/N: Is it difficult sometimes? Sometimes is a shifter and can go other places.  
 CLAUSE or TRUNK? TRUNK
- 8 ★ X Vb  
We didn't invite my roommate's friend from back home.  
 Y/N: Didn't we invite my roommate's friend from back home?  
 CLAUSE or TRUNK? TRUNK
- 9 ★  
The friend [whose boyfriend we don't like].  
 Y/N: There is no verb, so we can't make a Y/N question. This is just a subject.  
 "Whose boyfriend we don't like" is a describer clause that describes friend.  
 CLAUSE or TRUNK? ---
- 10 ★ mw VxS  
Her boyfriend always complains about the food, the drinks, and the people.  
 Y/N: Does her boyfriend always complain about the food, the drinks, and the people?  
 CLAUSE or TRUNK? TRUNK
- 11 ★ VxO  
 Whenever we invite him.  
 Y/N: Do we invite him? whenever  
 CLAUSE or TRUNK? CLAUSE
- 12 ★ X Vb  
 Although the party should be fun.  
 Y/N: Should the party be fun? Although  
 CLAUSE or TRUNK? CLAUSE
- 13 ★ X  
 If the weather is good.  
 Y/N: Is the weather good? If  
 CLAUSE or TRUNK? CLAUSE



## Lesson 22 Exercise 2

### Correcting fragments

Usually you can correct this kind of "fragment" by combining the clause with the trunk that comes before or after it. Sometimes it's better to add a new trunk to the clause. Go back to **Exercise 1** and try to correct numbers 6, 12, and 13.

Example:      Incorrect: Unless it rains.  
                  Correct: We're having the party outside unless it rains.  
                  (we combined #2 and #4)

### Possible answers.

6.      We have invited a lot of people who we both like.
12.     Although it might rain, the party should be fun.
13.     The party should be fun if the weather is good.

12 and 13 are "redundant." They are saying the same thing. Delete one of them.

