

Chapter 14 To Be or Not To Be: Coordination and Subordination

Answer keys for additional exercises

Exercise 11

- a) *to meet her before the trial*; DO
- b) *to catch them*; DO

Exercise 14

- a) Cats raised in the wild (S) sometimes (A) struggle (V) to adjust to a new home with new owners. (A)
 - type of verb: intransitive
 - clauses:
 - 1. “raised in the wild” -ed/en-clause
 - function of this clause: POST to “cats” within NP (where “cats” = head)
 - 2. “to adjust to a new home with new owners” – *to*-clause
 - function of this clause: Adverbial (at sentence level)
- b) Daisy May and Norma Jean (S) love (V) to wedge themselves between Derek and me at night. (DO)
 - type of verb: monotransitive
 - clauses: “to wedge themselves between Derek and me at night” – *to*-clause
 - function of this clause: DO (at sentence level)
- c) Wedging themselves between us (S) is (V) something they apparently love doing all night long. (SC)

- type of verb: linking/copula

- clauses:

1. “Wedging themselves between us” – *ing*-clause

- function of this clause: Subject (at sentence level)

2. “they apparently love doing all night long” – relative clause (put relative clause in there “something that they love doing...”)

- function of this clause: POST to “something” within NP

3. “doing all night long” – *ing*-clause

- function of this clause: DO (within clause “they love doing all night long”; compare to main clause like “I love running all night long” – “running all night long” would be your DO here)

d) For our cat’s happiness (A), we (S) will do (V) whatever it takes. (DO)

- type of verb: monotransitive

- clauses: “whatever it takes” – nominal relative clause

- function of this clause: DO (at the sentence level)

e) It (S) is (V) kind of funny that we have adopted four cats from shelters over the years.

(SC)

- type of verb: linking/copula

- clauses: “that we have adopted four cats from shelters over the years” – that-clause

- function of this clause: POST to “funny” (within ADJP with head “funny”)