## **Clauses Practice Answer Key**

Directions: Print this exercise and write your answers down. Then you can use the answer key to check your answers.

## Decide if the clauses below are dependent or independent.

- 1. When the temperatures drop below freezing. dependent
- 2. Because my weight has increased this year. dependent
- 3. My parents came home early from their trip. independent
- 4. The class went on a trip to the museum. independent
- 5. Since the lights were turned off. dependent
- 6. First, we need to make a plan. independent
- 7. The thief broke into the house and stole her jewelry. independent

## Decide if the following sentences are punctuated correctly or not.

- 8. Lindsay wanted to do something exciting, so she decided to go bungee jumping. correct
- 9. If you want to do well on the test, you need to study several nights in a row. correct
- 10. Sophia bought some nails and a hammer; because, she wanted to build a dog house. not correct
- 11. We stayed at the beach, although the wind was blowing and it was cold. not correct
- 12. I am not very good at math; therefore, I got a tutor to help me. correct
- 13. Jamie broke her arm in the third grade and then again in the 6<sup>th</sup> grade. correct
- 14. The Johnsons will go on vacation but the Smiths will stay home. not correct
- 15. Those students are often late to class, however, they have good excuses. not correct

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