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In the last grammar lesson we learned about :

- The use of phrases made from :
 - participles
 - gerunds
 - Infinitives
- Use of different kinds of clauses and phrases for variety and clarity in writing

In this lesson we will learn about:

- Clauses
 - Adjective, noun, and adverb clauses
- Sentence types
 - Simple, compound, complex, compound/complex

The Clause

- A clause is a group of words containing a subject and predicate and used as part of a sentence
 - A main clause expresses a completed thought and can stand alone as a sentence
 - A subordinate clause is introduced by a subordinator, and therefore does not express a completed thought and cannot stand alone – it must always be attached to the main clause as a part of a sentence
- Although he had a college degree, Jake could not find a job.
- *Although* is a subordinator in this sentence

Subordinators

- Subordinators are words that, when placed in front of a clause, make the clause subordinate. The most common subordinators are:

after

although

as

as if

as long as

as though

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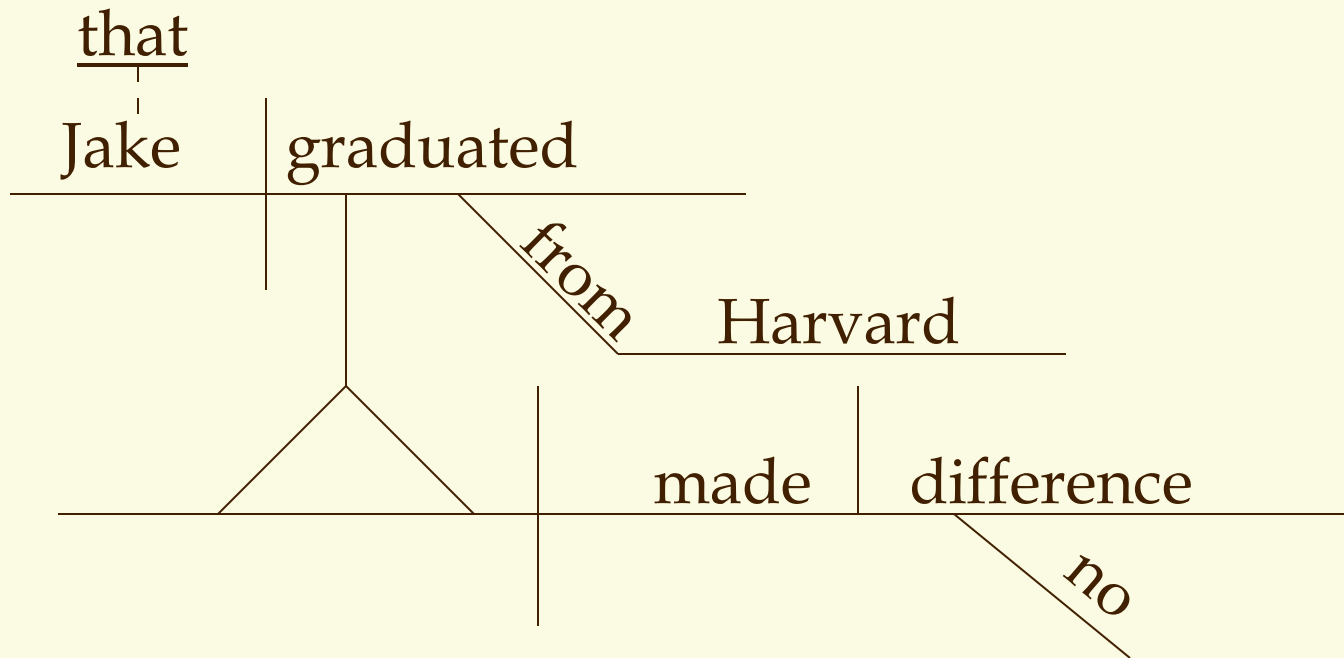
while

The Relative Clause

- Remember that we have already studied one kind of clause, the Relative Clause, which is introduced by a relative pronoun.
 - Jake, who had a college degree, could not get a job.

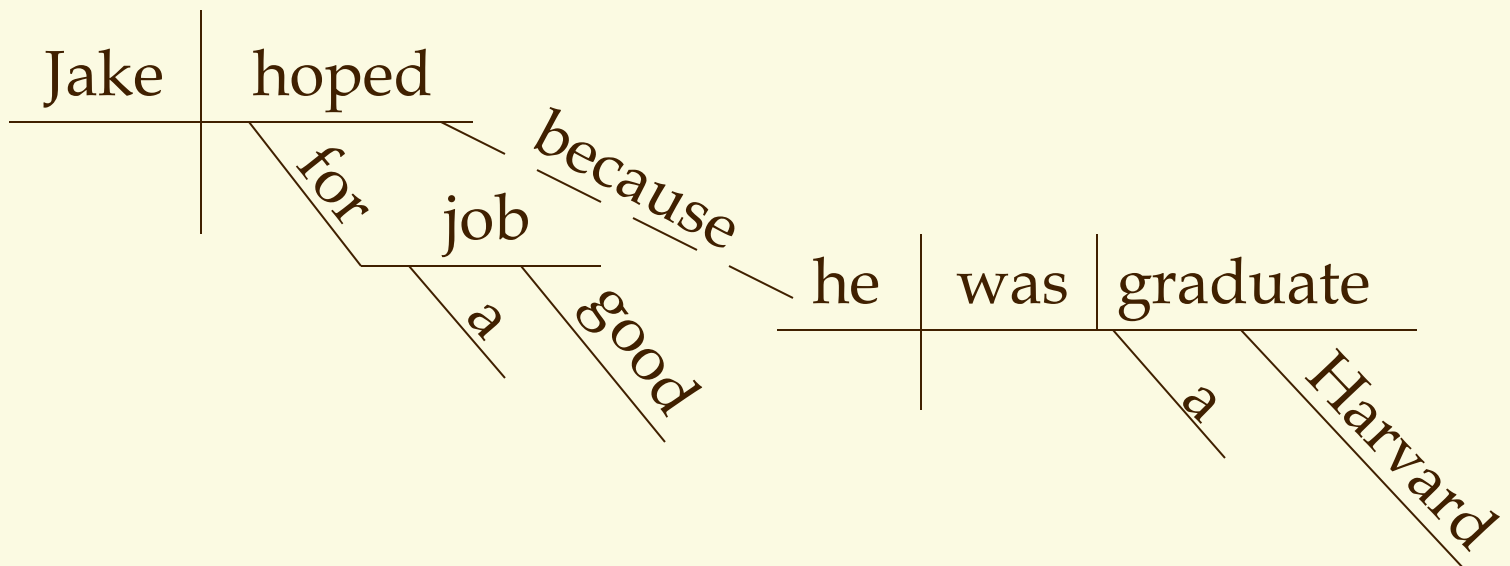
The Noun Clause

- A noun clause is a subordinate clause used as a noun
 - That Jake graduated from Harvard made no difference.



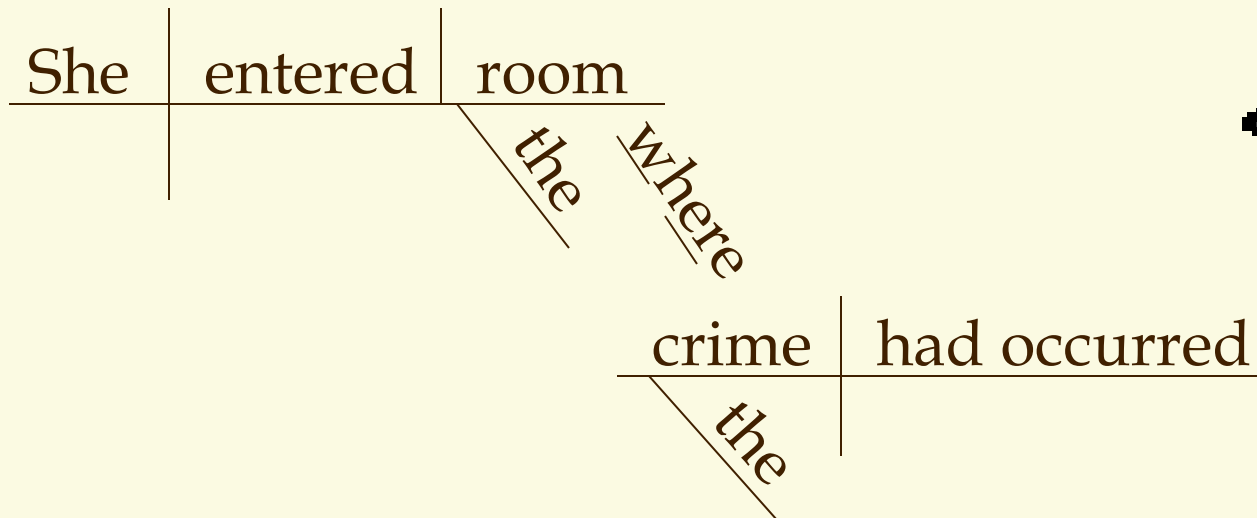
The Adverb Clause

- An adverb clause is a subordinate clause that is used as an adverb
 - Because he was a Harvard graduate, Jake hoped for a good job.



The Adjective Clause

- An adjective clause is a clause used as an adjective:
 - She entered the room where the crime had occurred.



Sentence Classification

- We recognize four kinds of sentences: simple, compound, complex, and compound-complex.
 - Simple sentences have one main clause and no subordinate clauses.
 - Jill fell down the hill.
 - Compound sentences are composed of two or more main clauses, but no subordinate clauses.
 - Jack fell down the hill, and Jill fell down the hill.

Sentence Classification

- Complex sentences contain one main clause and one or more subordinate clauses.
 - After Jack broke his crown, Jill tumbled down the hill.
- Compound-complex sentences contain two or more main clauses and one or more subordinate clauses.
 - The fall that Jack took plagued his memory, and Jill was also troubled by the incident.

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