

Error Complex verb group Subordinate clause

General Description

Error (4 times)

Inappropriate verb form: 1 time (after I *graduate*)

Singular/ plural noun form: 1 time (you're *homes*)

Missing article: 1 time (^majority of us)

Missing object: 1 time (how to describe^)

Complex verb group (3 times)

Passive: 2 times

Emphatic 'do': 1 time

Subordinate clause (18 times)

Adverbial clause: 11 times

Relative clause: 4 times

Noun clause: 3 times

E-Examiner S-Student

E: I'd like to ask you some questions, first of all, about yourself. Let's talk about what you do.

Are you a student?

S: Yes, I'm a student at the Education University of Hong Kong.

E: What subject do you study?

S: The programme name is called Bachelor of Arts in Creative Arts and Culture, and specifically I major in Music.

E: What will you do with your degree after you've finished your studies?

S: Not necessarily what I will do in my degree. I actually plan on pursuing a master's **after I graduate this summer.**

[SUB-adverbial clause] [have graduated]

E: Why?

S: Why? It's kind of hard to say, but ... in Hong Kong, it's kind of like a ... I wouldn't say, like a minimum requirement, but I feel like it's a social pressure **that you must pursue a master's**

[SUB-relative clause]

in order to secure a so-called more qualified job or more better job for ... that pays well. Yeah.

[SUB-adverbial clause]

[SUB-relative clause]

E: Let's talk about free time activities. What do you like to do in your free time?

S: In my free time, I like to play tennis. I like to play the piano, obviously **because I'm a Music**

[SUB-adverbial clause]

major and I like to watch all of YouTube. Yeah.

E: Do you prefer to spend most of your free time indoors or outdoors?

S: Really depends on the weather. **If it's like now**, I prefer to spend it outdoors. But **if it's really, really hot**, then I prefer indoors with air-con on.
[SUB-adverbial clause] [SUB-adverbial clause]

E: What did you like to do in your free time when you were a child?

S: From **what I can remember** ... also playing tennis, watching TV and spending time with my sister. I have a younger sister.
[SUB-noun clause]

E: What do you plan to do in your free time this weekend?

S: This weekend ... probably preparing for the semester **that is starting on Monday**. Yeah.
[SUB-relative clause]

E: Let's talk about travel. Do you like to travel?

S: I **do like** to travel **when I'm allowed to**. But ... I love exploring places and, yeah.
[CVG-emphatic 'do'] [SUB-adverbial clause] [CVG-passive]

E: Why?

S: Why? I feel like it gives, like, ... it gives me a sensation **that you can't really experience when you're homes** ... you ... I see ... it opens your ... sorry, I think **it ... it kind of ... broadens your ... field of thinking**. I don't know how to **describe**[^]. Like it makes you think a lot more ... makes you ponder about the world. See **what you haven't explored**.
[SUB-relative clause] [SUB-adverbial clause]
[home] [SUB-noun clause]
[describe it] [SUB-noun clause]

E: When tourists come to your country, where do they like to go?

S: **When tourists come to Hong Kong**, they like to go to the peak. They like to go to Victoria harbour, Central. The star ... they like to take the Star Ferry. They like to go to the city.
[SUB-adverbial clause]

E: Is traveling abroad popular in your country, in Hong Kong?

S: It is popular, I'd say, **^majority** of us are fortunate to be ... fortunately to be able to afford it. Yeah.
[the majority]

E: Where would you like to travel to in the future?

S: I'd like to go to Europe. I'd like to take a tour around the whole of Europe **if I'm allowed to** and **if I am fortunate enough to**, **because it's just ... there's so much to explore**.
[SUB-adverbial clause] [SUB-adverbial clause] [SUB-adverbial clause] [CVG-passive]