

## Error Complex verb group Subordinate clause

### General Description

#### Error (33 times)

Inappropriate tense: 11 times (I always *go*; because they *are* ... they *love*; we *can* have; and it *is* more; we *cooked*; they *may* go; many people *are*; if they *have* ... or they *have*; it *is* cancelled)

Inappropriate verb form: 7 times (student who *major* in; I'll ... *going* to; can see ... and ~~to~~ learn; we can't go to other countries ^travel; I've *got* ... I *choose*; I never *saw* snow before)

Singular/ plural noun/ pronoun form: 6 times (exchange *gift*; other *village*; go to *this* tourist *spot*; too many *tourist*; some small *village*; the exchange *opportunities*)

Subject-verb agreement: 2 times (it 's too many tourists; some fish product, which *is* very fresh)

Inappropriate article: 1 time (they have *the* holiday)

Inappropriate pronoun: 1 time (*it*'s too many tourists)

Missing subject: 1 time (going to different countries ... ^can see)

Missing verb: 1 time (choose to ^camping)

Redundant article: 3 times

#### Complex verb group (1 time)

Present continuous: 1 time

#### Subordinate clause (15 times)

Adverbial clause: 8 times

Noun clause: 4 times

Relative clause: 3 times

E-Examiner S-Student

E: I'm going to ask you some questions about yourself. First of all, let's talk about what you do. Are you a student?

S: Yes, I'm a year-3 student **who major in Social Science**.

[SUB-relative clause] [is majoring]

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

S: I want to be a teacher. But ... however my degree can, cannot give me the certification of being a teacher. So maybe I'll ... **going** to study a master or a PDGE in

[go]

my further ... in my further study.

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

S: I love outdoor activities like hiking and swimming, so you can see **that I have a**  
[SUB-noun clause]  
**tanned skin** and I'm quite a muscular girl.

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

S: Child ... I always **go** swimming and hiking with my daddy and mommy **because**  
[went] [SUB-adverbial clause]  
**they are ... they love outdoor activities too.**  
[were] [loved]

E: Why?

S: **Because outdoor activities ... we can have some quality time together** and it is  
[SUB-adverbial clause] [could]  
more, more ... more interesting.

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

S: In this weekend is the new year eve. So, we **are having** a party together with my  
[CVG-present continuous]  
family and friends. We **cooked** a lot of food and we will have a ... exchange **gift**, like  
[will cook] [gifts]  
the Boxing Day.

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

S: I like to travel **because I think going to different countries can ... ^can see a**  
[SUB-adverbial clause] [SUB-noun clause] [I / we can]  
**different view and to learn their culture.** But, however in the COVID-19, we can't go  
to other countries **^travel**, but I would go to other places in Hong Kong to ... like **the**  
[to travel]  
Tai O or **the** other **village** to see their ... to see the beautiful view.  
[villages]

E: When tourists come to Hong Kong, where do they like to go?

S: In the past few years, they **may** go to Ocean Park or **the** Tsim Sha Tsui but I  
[might]

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don't recommend them to go to **this** tourist **spot** because **I think it's too many** **tourist**  
 [SUB-adverbial clause] [SUB-noun clause] [these] [spots] [there] [are] [tourists]  
 and, and I would rather recommend them to go to some ... like Tai O or some small  
**village**, because **there are more culture activities**. For example, you can talk to the  
 [villages] [SUB-adverbial clause]  
 people **who live in there**, and you can buy some souvenirs and in Tai O you can buy  
 [SUB-relative clause]  
 some fish products, **which is very fresh**.  
 [SUB-relative clause] [are]

E: Is traveling abroad popular in Hong Kong?

S: I think **it is not popular in the past few years**, because **many people are very busy**  
 [SUB-noun clause] [SUB-adverbial clause] [were]  
 and **if they have the chance to travel** or they **have the** holiday, they would rather go to  
 [SUB-adverbial clause] [had] [had] [a]  
 other countries like in Thailand or Japan. But, however, in this year, you know, we  
 can't go to travel so they may choose to **^camping** or hiking in Hong Kong.  
 [go camping]

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

S: I would like to go to Europe in my ... unfortunately, **I've got** the exchange  
 [got]  
**opportunities**. I **choose** to go to Sweden but, however, it **is** cancelled. So I really want  
 [opportunity] [had chosen] [was]  
 to go to Sweden in my future **because Sweden is a very cold country** and I **never saw**  
 [SUB-adverbial clause] [have never seen]  
 snow before ... snowing before and I would like to see the, the, the beautiful view of  
 Sweden.

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