

## Error Complex verb group Subordinate clause

### General Description

#### Error (30 times)

Inappropriate tense: 12 times (*I'm* dreaming; *I hate* ... when I was ... because I *cannot* ... what *is* so; when I was ... I *watch*; I *think* one of the boys *is* ... I *start* ... and I *watch*; I found that they *are*; and I *start*; many people laugh ... and *said*)

Singular/ plural noun/ pronoun form: 7 times (when I was a secondary *students*; when I was a university *students*; many *peoples* always laugh; as other *peoples*; when *tourist* ... they; some *market*; things ... *that is*)

Inappropriate verb form: 6 times (I *start* ^*watch*; I'm not love ^*travel*; I also love ^*travel*; I love ^*travel*; Temple Street *is last*)

Subject-verb agreement: 3 times (my hobbies *is*; when tourist *comes* ... they; things ... *is* very cheap)

Missing verb: 1 time (I ... as other people ^)

Redundant verb: 1 time

#### Complex verb group (2 times)

Present continuous

#### Subordinate clause (23 times)

Adverbial clause: 11 times

Noun clause: 10 times

Relative clause: 2 times

### E-Examiner S-Student

E: Alright. I'd like to ask you some questions about yourself now. Let's talk about what you do. Do you work or are you a student?

S: Excuse me?

E: Do you work or are you a student?

S: OK. I'm a student and I'm studying at the Education University of Hong Kong and majoring in  
[CVG-present continuous] [CVG-present continuous]

Chinese Language Education and second major in Physical Education.

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

S: I'm, I'm dreaming of being a teacher since I was Form Four and I hope I can become a  
[have been] [SUB-adverbial clause] [SUB-noun clause]

Chinese Language teacher and also a Physical Education teacher.

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

S: Because my hobbies is not too much ... and I like to watch some videos about some Korean idols' boy groups.  
[SUB-adverbial clause] [are]

E: Why?

S: I hate Korean boys' groups when I was a secondary student, because I cannot realize their ... what is so attractive about them. And but when I was a university student and I watch a Korean movie called Hulu, then I think that one of the boys is so attractive and I start concerning about the boys' group and I watch some variety shows called 'Weekly Idol' and I found that they are so funny and so attractive. And therefore, I love them and I start watch their V-Live and different variety shows and their MV and I think that they are so attractive.  
[hated] [SUB-adverbial clause] [student] [SUB-adverbial clause] [could not] [SUB-noun clause] [was] [SUB-adverbial clause] [student] [watched] [SUB-relative clause] [thought] [SUB-noun clause] [was] [started] [watched] [SUB-relative clause] [SUB-noun clause] [were] [started] [to watch] [SUB-noun clause]

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

S: Excuse me? In ...

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

S: Ah, indoors and outdoors. I prefer spending my time indoors rather than outdoors. It is because I hate the sun. And I think the sunlight may make me become more black and because us ... many peoples always laugh at me and said that I'm so black and I hate that. So I prefer indoors activities more ... rather than outdoor activities because of the sunlight.  
[SUB-adverbial clause] [SUB-noun clause] [SUB-adverbial clause] [people] [say] [SUB-noun clause]

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

S: Actually, I'm not ... I'm not as ... I'm not love travel as other peoples, but I also love travel  
[do] [travelling/ to travel] [people] [do] [travelling/ to travel]

when I have time and money. And I love <sup>^</sup>travel to Japan, and it is because I think  
[SUB-adverbial clause] [travelling/ to travel] [SUB-adverbial clause]

that the cultural of Japan is very good and I ~~in~~ so admire their culture. And that's it.  
[SUB-noun clause]

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

S: I think that when tourist comes to Hong Kong, they would love to go to different spots like  
[SUB-noun clause] [SUB-adverbial clause] [tourists] [come]

Temple Street and Victoria Harbour and cause ... because other countries do not have some  
[SUB-adverbial clause]

market like Temple Street, and Temple Street is last for very, very night. And they can go there  
[markets] [lasts]

and watch different, different things. And that is very cheap. And also, I think other countries do  
[those] [are] [SUB-noun clause]

not have such culture and they are very amazed about it. So, they will go to Temple Street.

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