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LESSON 7: Phrases

REVIEW RECITATION:

Grammar Questions 37-42

LESSON:

Grammar Question #91: What is a phrase?

*A **phrase** is a group of words used as a single part of speech – a noun, an adjective, or an adverb. A phrase does not contain a subject and verb.*

Grammar Question #92: In addition to the verb phrase, give the five kinds of phrases.

*The five kinds of phrases are the **prepositional** phrase, the **participle** phrase, the **gerund** phrase, the **infinitive** phrase, and the **appositive** phrase.*

COPYWORK:

Grammar Question #91: _____

Grammar Question #92: _____

PRACTICE A: In each sentence a vertical line separates the phrase from the main clause. Underline the words before the vertical line and decide if there is a subject and verb. If yes, put a C over the main clause. If not, put a P for phrase. Repeat for the words after the vertical line. With your teacher's help, circle the word in the main clause that the phrase modifies. The first one is done for you.

1. Pacing back and forth, | Father waited anxiously.
2. Laughing out loud, | George entered the room.
3. Our teacher wrote the homework assignment | on the board.
4. Smelling the freshly baked bread, | the boys hurried inside.
5. Mary will be visiting me | in March.

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| 6. <u>A small flock</u> ^C <u>gathered</u> <u>under the</u> ^P <u>bird feeder</u> . | gathered (prep. phrase telling where) |
| 7. <u>Smiling</u> ^P <u>broadly</u> , <u>the champion</u> ^C <u>accepted the trophy</u> . | champion (participle phrase) |
| 8. <u>Bees</u> ^C <u>produce</u> <u>sweet honey</u> <u>in the</u> ^P <u>summer</u> . | produce (prepositional phrase telling when) |
| 9. <u>Waiting</u> ^P <u>patiently</u> , <u>Jim</u> ^C <u>hid in the forest</u> . | Jim (participle phrase) |
| 10. <u>The law</u> ^C <u>is perfect</u> , <u>converting</u> ^P <u>the soul</u> . | law (participle phrase) |

PRACTICE B: Add a phrase to each of the following sentences to make it more complete.

1. India is a country.

Answers will vary - here are some suggestions. India is a country in South Asia. India is a country bordered by the Indian Ocean, the Arabian Sea, and the Bay of Bengal.

2. New Delhi is the capital city.

New Delhi is the capital city of India.

3. India gained its independence.

India gained its independence from Great Britain in 1947.

4. Cricket games are popular.

Cricket games are popular in India.

5. The Taj Mahal is a building.

The Taj Mahal is one of the most beautiful buildings in the world.

ORAL QUIZ: Recite answers with examples.

Grammar Questions #91-92