

Unit 2.4 Noun Clauses

Exercise 1:

Points Possible: 31

- The elder **George Bush** **moved** the family to where he could succeed in the oil business. object of the preposition
- Yale University** is where young George went to college after high school. predicate nominative
- Just before graduation and with the unpopular Vietnam War raging, **Bush** **enlisted** in the Texas Air National Guard. That he was promptly accepted into a unit with a long waiting list **was** unusual. subject
- Unsolicited **help** from a family friend **is** what secured his acceptance into that unit. predicate nominative
- After his military duty, **Bush** **enrolled** in what people consider Yale's rival, Harvard University; there **he** **completed** a master's degree in business administration. object of the preposition

Exercise 2:

Points Possible: 63

- A backyard **barbeque** **is** where Bush met a school teacher named Laura Welch, and **he** **married** her in 1977. predicate nominative
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- In 1981, the **couple** **welcomed** into their family what would be their only children, twin daughters Barbara and Jenna. direct object
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- Bush's **father** **was** **elected** president of the United States in 1988, and in 1989, young **George** **invested** in the Texas Rangers baseball team in what would be a good business deal. object of the preposition
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- Ten years later, **Bush** **sold** his share of the team to whoever wanted it and **made** a large profit. object of the preposition
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- In 1994, **Bush** **ran** as a Republican for governor of Texas, and his family **name** and his **reputation** with the Rangers **affected** whether he would win the election. direct object
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Review exercise:

Points Possible: 26

- What appealed to Texas Republicans and Christian voters **was** Bush's philosophy of "compassionate conservatism." noun
- In his educational policy, governor **Bush** **tied** teachers' salaries to how students performed on standardized tests. noun
- In 2000, **Governor Bush** **ran** against Democrat Al Gore for president, in a close election that was not **decided** for more than a month. adjective
- What delayed the elections results **was** technical problems with Florida's ballots. noun
- The **election** **was** eventually **determined** by the U.S. Supreme Court, which awarded Florida's electoral votes to Bush and **made** him the winner. adjective

Unit Test 1:

Points Possible: 34

- Coordinated **attacks** in New York City and Washington D.C. **began** what would be called "the war on terror" and **turned** George Bush into a wartime president. direct object

2. What the president faced was “the greatest challenge of any president since Abraham Lincoln,” said Bush’s father. _____ subject
3. The president ordered American troops into Afghanistan, refined American intelligence services, and planned how he could protect the nation from future attacks. _____ direct object
4. He believed that Iraq possessed weapons of mass destruction for terrorists to use against the United States, so he expanded the war into Iraq. _____ direct object
5. At home, the president promoted the “No Child Left Behind” education act and government funding of what he called faith-based organizations. _____ object of the preposition

Unit Test 2:

Points Possible: 50

1. ^S Laura ^P was the only child of Harold Welch, ^S who ^P owned a home building company and managed a loan company. _____ adjective
2. A student at Southern Methodist University in Dallas, ^S Laura ^P did not know that ^S she ^P would become the world’s leading educational champion. _____ noun
3. The motivating ^S question to her in her White House years ^P was whether ^S people in other nations ^P would learn to read. _____ noun
4. In the second Bush term, ^S she ^P promoted a new teacher-training institute for women in Afghanistan, ^S which ^P was a war-torn country. _____ adjective
5. ^S She ^P accepted the United Nations honorary ambassadorship for ^S what ^P the U.N. called the Decade of Literacy, a program for men, women, and children around the world. _____ noun