

Non-Identifying Clauses

Non-Identifying clauses are normally separated by commas.
Look at the example below and complete the comma exercises below.

EXAMPLE

Answers may vary.

The chicken sandwich had mustard.

The chicken sandwich, **which I ate yesterday**, had mustard.

Add a non-identifying clause to each sentence, with commas in the proper places.

1. My dog chased our cat for hours.

My dog, who loves to play, chased our cat for hours.

2. Stacy's dress was absolutely beautiful.

Stacy's dress, which was blue and gold, was absolutely beautiful.

3. The water was boiling hot.

The water, that was in the pot, was boiling hot.

4. The sunset turned the sky orange.

The sunset, which was beautiful, turned the sky orange.

5. My bike is very fast.

My bike, which has new tires, is very fast.

6. The Sierra Nevadas are covered in snow.

The Sierra Nevadas, a mountain range in the United States, are covered in snow.

7. The history of the United States is very interesting.

The history of the United States, which began in the 1700s, is very interesting.

A non-identifying clause adds extra information about a person or thing that's already been identified in the sentence.

