

## Instructions 1 : Identify all the noun clauses and mention their functions (subject, object, subject complement, or object of a preposition)

John was always curious about what motivates people to take certain actions. He often wondered how they decide on what path to follow in life. The question of why some people give up easily while others persevere never left his mind. Sometimes, he even asked himself what would happen if he chose a different career. His desire to understand the reasons behind people's behavior grew stronger each day. However, he couldn't figure out whether it was his curiosity or his desire to help others that led him to become a psychologist.

### Answers:

1.Noun Clause: what motivates people to take certain actions
Function: Object of the preposition about
2. Noun Clause: how they decide on what path to follow in life
Function: Object of the verb wondered
3. Noun Clause: why some people give up easily while others persevere
Function: Subject complement
3. Noun Clause: what would happen if he chose a different career
Function: Object of the verb asked
4. Noun Clause: the reasons behind people's behavior
Function: Object of the verb understand
5. Noun Clause: whether it was his curiosity or his desire to help others
Function: Object of the verb figure out

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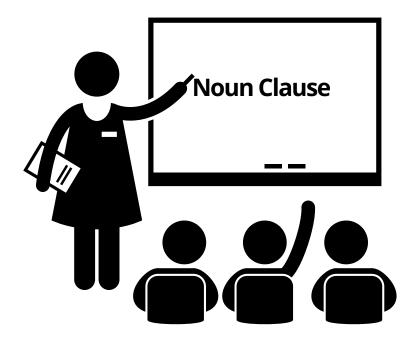
# Noun Clause Worksheet with Answers

## Instructions 2. Replace the following Noun Clauses with appropriate Gerund Phrases

- 1.I don't know what she wants.
- 2. He is wondering why they left early.
- 3. She asked how we can improve the project.
- 4. We don't understand why he is upset.
- 5. I am curious about what they are planning.

#### **Answers:**

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