

Grammar: Cleft sentences:

Page 29, exercises 6, 7 and 8

6 We want to emphasise the part of the sentence which is in bold in sentences 1–3.

Match each one to an appropriate cleft sentence a–c.

1 The Great Mosque in Cordoba was built in 784 CE by Abd al-Rahman I.

2 The Great Mosque in Cordoba was built in 784 CE by Abd al-Rahman I.

3 The Great Mosque in Cordoba was built in 784 CE by Abd al-Rahman I.

a The year when the Great Mosque in Cordoba was built was 784 CE.

b Abd al-Rahman I was the person who built the Great Mosque in Cordoba in 784 CE.

c The mosque that was built by Abd al-Rahman I in 784 CE was the Great Mosque in Cordoba.

Answers :

1. b 2. c 3. a

7 Write this sentence in three different ways, emphasising the parts underlined in each case.

Al-Jazari invented the mechanical clock in the twelfth century.

Answers

- The person who invented the mechanical clock in the twelfth century was Al-Jazari.

OR It was Al-Jazari who/that invented the mechanical clock in the twelfth century.

- **The thing** that Al-Jazari invented in the twelfth century was the mechanical clock.

OR It was the mechanical clock that Al-Jazari invented in the twelfth century.

- **The period/time** when Al-Jazari invented the mechanical clock was the twelfth century.

OR It was in the twelfth century that Al-Jazari invented the mechanical clock.

8 Rewrite these sentences, emphasising the part in bold, and using the structure as shown.

1 Al-Kindi contributed to the invention of the oud.

The person

who..... .

2 Jabir ibn Hayyan did his research in a laboratory in Iraq.

The country

where..... .

3 Ali ibn Nafi' established the first music school in the world.

It

was.....

..... .

4 Jabir ibn Hayyan also invented ink that can be read in the dark.

It
was.....

..... .

5 Al-Kindi is especially famous for his work in geometry.

It

is

..... .

Answers

1 The person who contributed to the invention of the oud was Al-Kindi.

2 The country where Jabir ibn Hayyan did his research in a laboratory was Iraq.

3 It was Ali ibn Nafi' who established the first music school in the world.

4 It was Jabir ibn Hayyan who/that also invented ink that can be read in the dark.

5 It is for his work in geometry that Al-Kindi is especially famous.

Speaking: Page 29, exercise 9

9 Ask and answer these questions with your partner. Use cleft sentences in your answers.

1. Which successful person has influenced you the most in your life and why?

2. Which person in exercise 3 do you think was the most successful and why?

3. How would you define success? (Start your answer The way in which ...)

Suggested answers

1. **My grandfather was the person who influenced me most as a child because he was so knowledgeable.**
2. **The person in exercise 3 that I think was the most successful was Al-Kindi because he was an expert in many fields.**
3. **The way in which I would define success is being very good at something you care about.**

Activity Book, page 20, exercise 3

3 Make cleft sentences, emphasising the information in bold. The first one is done for you.

1. Queen Rania **opened the Children's Museum of Jordan in 2007 CE.**

It was Queen Rania **who opened the Children's Museum of Jordan in 2007 CE.**

2. **Petra was made a World Heritage Site in 1985 CE.**

The
year

3. **I stopped working at 11 p.m.**

It
was

4. My father **has influenced me most.**

The
person

5. I like Geography most of all.

The
subject.....
.....

6. The heat made the journey unpleasant.

It
was
.....

Answers

1. It was Queen Rania who opened the Children's Museum of Jordan in 2007 CE.

2. The year when/in which Petra was made a World Heritage Site was 1985 CE.

3. It was 11 p.m. when I stopped working.

4. The person who/that has influenced me most is my father.

5. The subject that/which I like most of all is Geography.

6. It was the heat that/which made the journey unpleasant