

Vague Pronoun References

DIRECTIONS: Read each pair of sentences. Write the letter V next to the sentence that has the vague pronoun reference.

- _____ 1. Despite the thorns, they insisted on buying roses.
_____ Despite the thorns, the customer insisted on buying roses.
- _____ 2. When Rachel told Jane the story, Jane started to cry.
_____ When Rachel told Jane the story, she started to cry.
- _____ 3. When the game was over it was late.
_____ When the game was over, the hour was late.
- _____ 4. Although the box fell on the floor, it was not damaged.
_____ Although the box fell on the floor, the box was not damaged.
- _____ 5. In fourth grade, they learned algebra.
_____ In fourth grade, the students learned algebra.
- _____ 6. When Jim saw Chuck, Jim ran away.
_____ When Jim saw Chuck, he ran away.
- _____ 7. My house has an old roof and an old furnace; it needs to be replaced.
_____ My house had both an old roof and an old furnace that need to be replaced.

