

Take-Home Quiz 6

Analyze the following sentences, marking and identifying all verbals and verbal phrases, all dependent clauses, and all verb objects or complements. Tell how phrases or clauses function.

participial phrase
S
AV
DO
 Scratching his feline cheek (against a dried but standing stalk) of catnip, Spuds quietly, covertly surveyed his domain. (Because of the drop (in temperatures) much had changed. The potato plants which were (in spreading growth) just weeks ago were dug up and discarded. That his namesakes had been eaten was disheartening. But while the potatoes were dug and devoured, the catnip, falling onions, and kale remained. Crouched in between two scrubby plants) life was good.

S
AV
S
S
LV
PA?
AV
passive voice

AV
S
AV
S
sub clause as subject

Adverbial sub clause
S
S
AV
S

S
S
AV

participial phrase that should modify "Spuds" the cat, but the implied subject has not been employed.

Comment specifically on the modification of the introductory phrase in the final sentence.