Basic tasks from language of schooling textbooks

Writing task

Write a persuasive opinion for or against the following:

Due to potential problems, many school systems have adopted a policy that bans mobile phones on school grounds. However, some parents have provided these items out of concern for safety. Do you agree or disagree that mobile phones should be banned on school grounds?

Reading task

Read the text and answer the questions.

- 1. Who was Martin Luther King and why is he considered important?
- 2. List two or three important facts about Martin Luther King?
- 3. What do we know about his commitment to equality and social justice from reading his biography?
- 4. What do we know about the attitudes and beliefs of society at the time from reading about him?

Grammar task

Underline the adjective clauses.

Adjective clauses are used to modify nouns or pronouns. Underline the adjective clauses in the following sentences and identify the noun or pronoun that is modified.

- 1. The girl who won the first prize is my cousin.
- 2. The forest through which we travelled was thick and gloomy.
- 3. My sister who lives in Helsinki is a pilot.



