Pilkkua käytetään yleensä

1. erottamaan sidesanaa tai vastaavaa adverbiaalia (esim. however, in fact, of course, too) muusta lauseesta.

Students went to the canteen hoping to get some free coffee. **However,** it was, **in fact,** only the teachers who were given delicious chocolate lattes for free that day.

- 2. erottamaan päälauseen edellä olevaa sivulausetta tai lauselyhennettä päälauseesta **As a lot of energy was needed for the exam,** Ann decided to buy a Battery in the vending machine.
- 3. kirjeen alkutervehdyksen ja virallisen lopputervehdyksen yhteydessä Dear Mr Smith, Dear President Trump, Yours sincerely,
- 4. Erottamaan kuukausi vuosiluvusta päiväyksissä

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- 5. Erottamaan irrallinen relatiivilause päälauseesta (vrt. Pilkkua ei käytetä, kohta 2!) Korea is divided into two: the South, which is a democracy, and the North, which is ruled by stark raving mad dictator.

Our roof of our house was blown away by Irma, which wasn't very nice.

6. erottamaan kahta rinnakkaista päälausetta, joista jälkimmäinen tuo jonkin uuden näkökulman

Swedish was sometimes considered difficult and even unnecessary, **yet the students had learned to love it.**

Pilkkua ei käytetä

- that-lauseen edellä
 - The third year students said that they wanted to continue their studies in a university.
- 2. kiinteän relatiivilauseen yhteydessä

The corridors **which were empty for the summer** are buzzing with students now.

3. epäsuoran kysymyslauseen edellä

Many students do not realise that teachers can be tired on Monday mornings, too.

Epäsäännölliset monikot

child children antenna antennae/antennas

man men analysis analyses woman women axis axes foot feet basis bases tooth teeth crisis crises

mouse mice cactus cacti/cactuses

louse lice criterion criteria

goose geese curriculum curricula/curriculums

ox oxen phenomena

person people

Substantiivilla on pelkkä yksikkö. Verbi ja demonstratiivipronominit (this/that) yksikössä.

furniture yksikkö "a piece/an item of furniture"

wheat

happiness machinery

scenery mathematics (+ muut ics-loppuiset)

news billiards information darta knowledge hair luggage brain

baggage home/housework

bread jewellery advice money

equipment

Substantiivilla on pelkkä monikko

police cattle poultry oats pants remains

Yksikkö = monikko

sheep crossroads fish headquarters deer means

deermeanselkseriesmoosespeciesbuffalo(steel)works

reindeer (air/space/hover)craft

perch pike salmon