

# Subordinate Clauses and Subordinating Conjunctions

**A**

although  
after  
as

**WH**

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whenever  
whatever  
whether  
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which

**I**

if  
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**T**

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**E**

even though  
even if

**B**

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before

**U**

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unless

**S**

since

## Challenge 1

Underline the **subordinate clause in red** and **circle** the **subordinating conjunction in blue**.

1. The bath flew up in the air because water gushed out of the window.
2. Although the town was flooding rapidly, the rabbit sat and read his paper calmly.
3. When the pianist began to play, the shoppers ran towards the fountain to listen
4. The town will have to close if the water keeps gushing from all directions.

## Challenge 2

Pick a multi-clause sentence from Challenge 1 above and change the position of the subordinate clause. Write your multi-clause sentence below, remembering to check your punctuation carefully.

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## Challenge 3

Pick a subordinating conjunction to complete the multi-clause sentences below.  
Is there more than one you can choose?

1. \_\_\_\_\_ the pianist had finished playing, his piano was swept away in the gushing water.
2. The waitress dropped the glasses of orange juice \_\_\_\_\_ she was serving the giraffe.
3. \_\_\_\_\_ the flooding continues, the bakery will have to close for the day.
4. Waters Down Town remained busy \_\_\_\_\_ it was filling with water quickly.
5. The alligator looked scared \_\_\_\_\_ he was being chased by rushing water.

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## Challenge 4

Read each multi-clause sentence in the table and tick whether the clause underlined is the main clause or the subordinate clause. Pick one and convince me that you are correct.

Multi-clause sentences	Main clause	Subordinate clause
1. Although it was raining, <u>Tommy walked to the shop.</u>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Mum is taking me to buy some new shoes <u>after she finishes work.</u>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. <u>I like to eat pepperoni pizza</u> because it is delicious.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. <u>If you finish your work,</u> you can go out to play.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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