

19 Adverbial Clauses

Practice Run 1 In the following sentences identify the type of adverbial clause and fill in the missing conjunction.

		type of clause
1.	<i>Although he considered himself an intellectual, he regularly read comic strips and pulp novels.</i>	concession
2.	I felt sorry for the poor woman <i>because everybody asked her for the next dance.</i>	reason
3.	<i>Unless you pay me back your debts, I shall have to send some heavies round your way.</i>	condition
4.	He'll make loads of friends <i>wherever he ends up working.</i>	place
5.	She bought mobile phones for all her children <i>so now she can always call them home from the playground.</i>	result
6.	Our youngest son disappointed us <i>in a way we had not anticipated.</i>	manner
7.	<i>Once the light came on, Mrs Baldwin looked at her companion and screamed.</i>	time
8.	Some people believe you need a grammar course <i>in order to improve your English.</i>	purpose
9.	I opened a bottle of champagne <i>as soon as I had written the last word of my paper.</i>	time
10.	<i>Provided/if you run as fast as you can you will catch him before he boards the train to London.</i>	condition
11.	I listen to my ipod on trains <i>so as not to have to listen to the boring conversations around me.</i>	purpose
12.	<i>Whilst/while/wheras the male of the species is extremely colourful, the female has a brown and beige plumage in order to remain undetected during breeding.</i>	concession purpose
13.	<i>Intrigued though he was he never showed any other sentiment than casual boredom.</i>	concession
14.	They promised to contact us <i>as soon as/when they had any news from the missing crew.</i>	time
15.	I dropped my rucksack and my bags <i>where the sign "leave your luggage here" had been stapled to the wall.</i>	place
16.	After that bender my mouth felt <i>as if something had climbed into it during the night and died there.</i>	manner
17.	<i>Since/as you seem to know everything and everything better, I'll just shut up</i>	reason

Practice Run 2 Combine the following simple sentences into a complex sentence with the sentence in italics as an adverbial clause.

1.	<i>I'm interested in grammar. I'd rather read an interesting book.</i>	Much as/although I'm interested in grammar, I'd rather read an interesting book. I'd much rather read an interesting book, although ...	concession
2.	<i>Don't show your face around here again. You do something (first to make up for all this hurt.</i>	Don't show your face around here again until you have done something to make up for all this hurt.	time anterior
3.	<i>She left a note for him. He would not have expected it there.</i>	She left a note (for him) where he would not have expected it.	place

4.	I have done the shopping. <i>You can come straight home after work.</i>	I have done the shopping so you can come straight home after work.	result /purpose
5.	<i>They are unlikely to take any notice of our objections.</i> I'm seriously thinking about not going to the meeting.	Since/as/(because) they are unlikely to take any notice of our objections, I'm seriously thinking about not going to the meeting.	reason
6.	My mother hid the keys to the pantry. <i>She wanted keep the freshly made jam safe from us</i>	My mother hid the keys to the pantry in order to keep the freshly made jam safe from us.	purpose
7.	<i>They will send us the goods.</i> They will get the goods.	They will send us the goods as soon as they have got them.	time anterior
8.	We were treated ... <i>We were never treated like this before.</i>	We were treated in a way/ like we had never been treated like this before.	manner
9.	<i>William Wordsworth was rather helpless in daily life.</i> His sister Dorothy was more practical.	Whereas/ while(st) William Wordsworth was rather helpless in daily life, his sister Dorothy was more practical.	comparison
10.	She was flirting madly. <i>Men might be rationed as of next week.</i>	She was flirting madly as if men might be rationed as of next week.	manner
11.	My mother is looking for a daycare centre. <i>She wants to go back to work.</i>	My mother is looking for a daycare centre in order to get back to work.	purpose
12.	I bought a Porsche. <i>I can impress the neighbours.</i>	I bought a Porsche so (now) I can impress the neighbours. I bought a Porsche to impress the neighbours.	result purpose
13.	<i>He got home from work.</i> The children had found and eaten all the chocolate.	By the time he got home from work, the children had found and eaten all the chocolate.	time posterior
14.	They treated all their five children alike. <i>The youngest one was sometimes given a bit more leeway.</i>	They treated all their five children alike, except that the youngest one was sometimes given a bit more leeway.	concession (exception)
15.	How can I do some serious work? <i>The television is blaring away and my younger brother and sister are murdering each other.</i>	How can I do some serious work while / (when) the television is blaring away and my younger brother and sister are murdering each other?	time simultaneous