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Creating Complex Sentences Worksheet

A complex sentence contains an independent clause and a dependent clause. An independent clause is a complete sentence that can stand on its own. A dependent clause is not a complete sentence for it cannot stand on its own.

Dependent clauses start with subordinating conjunctions such as: after, so, because, since, although, even though, before, unless, whenever etc...

Directions: Write an independent clause to complete each complex sentence. Use the connecting words.

Example A: Wherever you go, _____.

Answer: Wherever you go, you will have friends.

1. Since I'm hungry, _____.

2. Although I'm late, _____.

3. Before the game, _____.

4. Since we were early, _____.

5. Because she is rich, _____.

Directions: Write a dependent clause to complete each complex sentence. Use the connecting words (so, after, when, because, or since).

Example A: _____, he still was friends with him.

Answer: After twenty years, he still was friends with him.

6. _____, we will have to go home.

7. _____, we will have to wait in line.

8. _____, the children are now hungry.

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Finding Dependent Clauses in Complex Sentences Worksheet

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Dependent clauses start with subordinating conjunctions such as (so, because, since, before, even though, after, although, wherever, while etc..)

Directions: Read each sentence and underline the dependent clause.

Example A: For the first time, I successfully passed all my classes.

Answer: For the first time, I successfully passed all my classes.

1. In the morning, I went for a jog.
2. For the last time, I will take the field.
3. After the game, we went out for pizza.
4. Although I left, I did not remember my roots.
5. Since he was not there, I was quite upset.
6. Wherever we are, it is the right place to be.
7. Even though I am tired, I will give my best effort.
8. Although we won, I was not satisfied with my performance.
9. While I was waiting, I saw a meteor overhead.
10. Before the movie, I went to the snack bar.
11. After the play, we went to eat ice cream.
12. Unless he shows, I will have to do all the work.

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Identifying Clauses in Complex Sentences Worksheet

A complex sentence has an independent clause and a dependent clause.
An independent clause is a complete sentence that can stand on its own.
A dependent or subordinate clause is not a complete sentence for it cannot stand on its own.
Dependent clauses start with subordinating conjunctions such as: after, so, because, since, although, even though, before, unless, whenever etc...

Directions: Read each sentence below. Underline the independent clause once and the dependent or subordinate clause twice.

Example A: Though he was late, he still made a contribution.

Answer: Though he was late, he still made a contribution.

1. After the game, we all went out for pizza.
2. Although we were late, we were still let into the show.
3. Unless he shows up, I will have to go on without him.
4. Even though they did the work, they will still have to do it again.
5. We went to the fair, since we had the time.
6. Whenever you are ready, you need to let me know.
7. Wherever you are, I will find you.
8. Before the game, I went to the store and bought some gum.
9. If he fails, I will be the one to blame.
10. Because of the exam, I will be able to go to college.
11. As an officer, I will be sworn in to my duty.

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Parallel Structure Worksheet

Parallel structure is the repetition of a chosen grammatical form within a sentence. Parallel structure means using the same pattern of words to show that two or more ideas have the same level of importance. It brings balance to your writing.

Directions: Read each sentence below. Write "parallel structure" or "not parallel structure" based on whether it contains it or not.

1. The beetles are adapting, spreading, and kill thousands of insects.

2. Superbugs are adapting, spreading, and killing thousands.

3. Mary likes hiking, swimming, and riding a bicycle.

4. The production manager was asked to write his report quickly, accurately, and in a detailed manner.

5. Justin was excited about inviting friends over, eating a good meal, and playing a game of cards.

6. Researchers study superbugs, probe their weaknesses, and hope to find new treatments.
