

#### ACTIVITY 4

##### Subordinating conjunctions: Contrast (Expected results or Cause-effect)

#### 19-2 Using Because Of and Due To

(a) <i>Because the weather was cold, we stayed home.</i>	<i>Because</i> introduces an adverb clause; it is followed by a subject and a verb, as in (a).
(b) <i>Because of the cold weather, we stayed home.</i>	<i>Because of</i> and <i>due to</i> are phrasal prepositions; they are followed by a noun object, as in (b) and (c).
(c) <i>Due to the cold weather, we stayed home.</i>	
(d) <i>Due to the fact that the weather was cold, we stayed home.</i>	Sometimes (usually in more formal writing) <i>due to</i> is followed by a noun clause introduced by <i>the fact that</i> .
(e) We stayed home <i>because of the cold weather.</i> We stayed home <i>due to the cold weather.</i> We stayed home <i>due to the fact that the weather was cold.</i>	Like adverb clauses, these phrases can also follow the main clause, as in (e).

#### EXERCISE 6 ▶ Looking at grammar. (Charts 17-3 and 19-2)

Complete the sentences with *because* or *because of/due to*.

##### Problems

1. We postponed our trip \_\_\_\_\_ the bad driving conditions.
2. Sue's eyes were red \_\_\_\_\_ she had been swimming in a chlorinated pool.
3. We can't visit the museum tomorrow \_\_\_\_\_ it isn't open.
4. \_\_\_\_\_ heavy fog at the airport, our plane was delayed for several hours.
5. \_\_\_\_\_ the elevator was broken, we had to walk up six flights of stairs.
6. Jim had to stop jogging \_\_\_\_\_ his sprained ankle.



#### EXERCISE 7 ▶ Looking at grammar. (Chart 19-2)

Complete the sentences with the ideas in parentheses.

##### News Reports

1. (*The traffic was heavy.*) Due to \_\_\_\_\_ *heavy traffic* \_\_\_\_\_, alternate routes are advised into the city.
2. (*Students have the flu.*) Many schools in the district have high absentee rates because of \_\_\_\_\_.
3. (*There are loud noises at the beach.*) Police are investigating reports of illegal fireworks because of \_\_\_\_\_.
4. (*Circumstances are beyond their control.*) Due to \_\_\_\_\_, all City Hall offices are closed today.
5. (*The donors are generous.*) Due to \_\_\_\_\_, the foods banks have enough food for the holidays.

