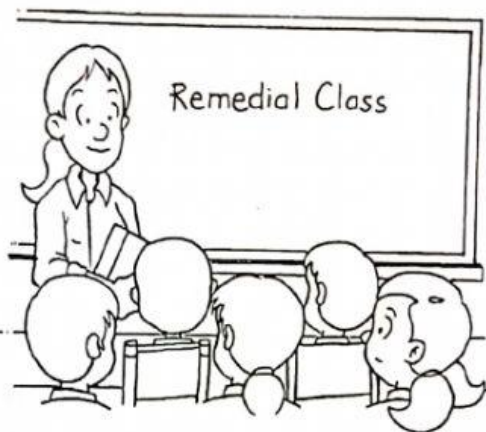




SINCE

1. **Since** is used in the same way as **because** to show the reason for an action or event.

EXAMPLE



- Rachel is weak in Mathematics. She has to go for extra classes to improve on it.
Since Rachel is weak in Mathematics, she has to go for extra classes to improve on it.

ReasonAction

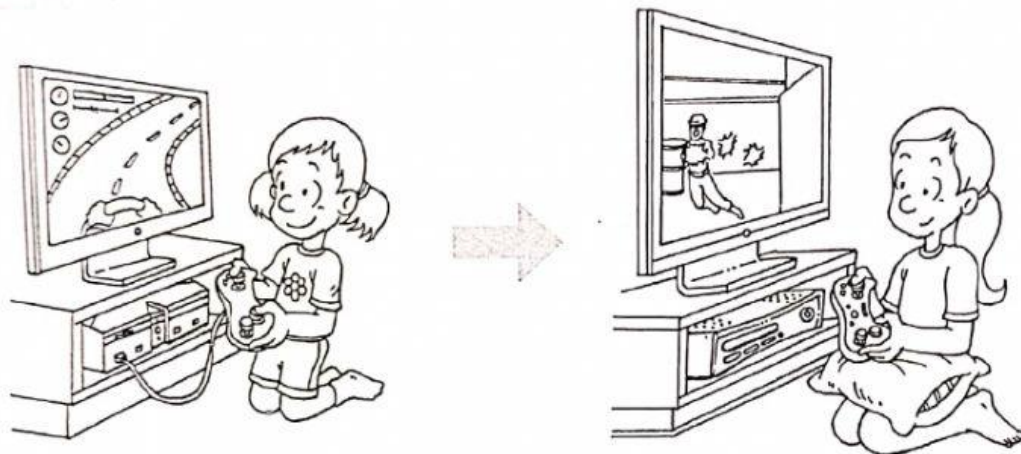
(The action is that Rachel has to go for extra classes. The reason is that she is weak in Mathematics.)

- I am tired. I am going to bed.
Since I am tired, I am going to bed.
(The action is that I am going to bed. The reason is that I am tired.)

NOTE: The reason for an action or event should be written after **since**.

2. **Since** can also be used to show the ongoing action of a person from the past to the present moment.

EXAMPLE



- When Julie was young, she enjoyed playing Xbox games. She still enjoys playing Xbox games.

Since Julie was young, she has enjoyed playing Xbox games.

Julie has enjoyed playing Xbox games since she was young.

NOTE: The information about the past should be written after **since**.

EXERCISE 7

Rewrite the following pairs of sentences as one sentence, using *since*, without changing the original meaning.

1. It was a nice and sunny day. Mr Andrew brought his children to the Sungei Buloh Wetland Reserve.

Since _____

2. Annie does not want to have lunch at this hawker centre. We shall go to another hawker centre.

_____ since

3. Amelie got a Facebook account when she was young. She still has a Facebook account.

Since _____

4. It is better for you to stay at home. The reason for this is that you still have chicken pox.

_____ since

5. Minghao is very late. Let us not wait for him.

Since _____

6. Our school has been winning the competition every year. The competition started ten years ago.

_____ since

7. My grandfather has retired. From his retirement until now, he has been taking us to watch movies every weekend.

Since _____

8. He is the tallest. He should be able to take the book that is on top of the cupboard.

_____ since

9. You want to be healthy. You have to exercise regularly.

Since _____

10. Corrine forgot to bring the photographs. We cannot complete the project today.

_____ since
