Consolidation – Adverbial Clauses 3 (Advanced)

Exercise 1: Choose the most suitable option in each sentence.

1. Once the road ***[open / will open / has been opened]***, cyclists will be able to use the new lane safely.

2. Hang the paintings ***[wherever / whenever / whatever]*** the light looks best.

3. ***[During / While / As soon as]*** the storm, the campers stayed inside their tents.

4. He repairs the engine ***[as / like / so]*** the manual explains.

5. She has taught piano ***[since / for / while]*** 2008.

6. Leave your bicycle ***[whoever / whenever / wherever]*** there is space.

7. ***[Since / Although / Despite]*** he had trained for months, he finished the marathon with ease.

8. Call the vet ***[as soon as / until / while]*** the puppy stops eating.

9. ***[Despite / Although / Because]*** the strong wind, the sailors continued the race.

10. ***[Although / Despite / Because]*** the wind was strong, the sailors continued the race.

11. The librarian lowered her voice ***[so that / in order to / so as]*** the readers would not be disturbed.

12. The recipe was simplified ***[so that / in order to / for]*** beginners could follow it easily.

13. The soup was so spicy ***[that / so / such]*** everyone reached for water.

14. It was ***[such / so / too]*** a spicy soup that everyone reached for water.

15. Pack extra batteries ***[in case / so that / when]*** the torch stops working.

16. The harvest turned out ***[as / like / so]*** the farmers had predicted.

17. ***[Whereas / Because / So that]*** the desert regions stay dry all year, the highlands receive frequent rainfall.

18. Water the plants ***[before / despite / during]*** the sun gets too strong.

19. ***[No matter how / Despite / Although]*** quietly she walked, the old floorboards always creaked.

20. The moment ***[the conductor raised his baton / the conductor will raise his baton / the conductor raises his baton]***, the orchestra fell completely silent.

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Exercise 2: Complete each of the 10 gaps with ONE suitable word or phrase from the box. Use each word or phrase only ONCE.

now that as soon as so that wherever although
in spite of just as if by the time no matter how

Question: ***In today's fast-paced world, people increasingly expect immediate results when seeking information, using services, or completing tasks. What are the reasons for this trend? Do you think this is a positive or negative development?***

In today's fast-paced world, people increasingly expect immediate results when seeking information, using services, or completing tasks. (1) _____ smartphones and high-speed internet have made instant access the standard, people now expect everything else in life to move at the same speed. This essay will explore why this trend has developed before explaining why I believe it is largely a negative development.

There are several reasons behind this growing demand for speed. Firstly, once people become used to receiving instant replies through messaging apps, they naturally expect the same speed in other areas of life, such as customer service or online shopping. In addition, many companies design their services (2) _____ customers can complete tasks within seconds, which further reinforces this expectation. Moreover, (3) _____ a faster alternative becomes available, users tend to abandon the old option almost immediately. Finally, people often demand quick solutions (4) _____ they encounter a problem, whether at work, at home, or while travelling, since modern life leaves little room for delay.

However, (5) _____ speed can undoubtedly improve efficiency in certain situations, I believe this growing obsession with immediate results is largely a negative development. Even though instant access to information seems convenient, it often encourages people to accept shallow or inaccurate answers rather than take the time to think critically. Furthermore, (6) _____ the benefits offered by fast delivery services and quick transactions, many workers now experience constant pressure to complete tasks faster than is realistically possible, leading to unnecessary stress. Whereas patience once allowed people to develop skills gradually and thoroughly, today's rushed approach frequently produces work of lower quality. (7) _____ junk food often sacrifices nutritional value for convenience, quick solutions in other areas of life often sacrifice depth and accuracy for speed. Most importantly, (8) _____ a task is completed too quickly without proper care, serious mistakes may occur, particularly in fields such as healthcare or finance.

In conclusion, (9) _____ society fully recognises the drawbacks of this constant rush, valuable skills such as patience and careful analysis may already have been lost. While I accept that faster processes can save time in everyday tasks, the disadvantages of this trend clearly outweigh its benefits. Nevertheless, (10) _____ convenient instant results may seem, genuine quality and understanding usually require time and effort. In order that people avoid the negative effects of this rushed mindset, society should therefore place greater value on patience and thoroughness rather than speed alone.

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