TOPIC 8

AS

1. ***As*** is used to show the result of a particular situation.

EXAMPLE

- I did not give my younger brother my soft toy. He cried.
  My younger brother cried *as*
  Result
  I did not give him my soft toy.
  Situation
  (The reason why my younger brother cried is that I did not give him my soft toy.)



NOTE: *As* is always written before the situation. You can begin a sentence with *as* if you follow this rule.

2. ***As*** is also used to show that two actions or events are happening at the same time.

EXAMPLE

- I was bathing. I was also singing happily.
  I was singing happily *as* I was bathing.
  (I was bathing and, at the same time, I was singing happily.)
- He is reading *Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix*. He is eating his burger at the same time.
  He is reading *Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix as* he eats his burger.
  (He is reading *Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix* and eating a burger at the same time.)



NOTE: When you are given two sentences where the verb is given in a continuous form, you have to change the verb in the second sentence into simple present tense when you use *as*.

He is reading *Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix*.
Present continuous

He is eating his burger.
Present continuous

He is reading *Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix* ***as*** he eats his burger.
Simple present

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EXERCISE 8

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

1. Christopher is watching television. Christopher is talking on the telephone

as _____

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2. Sonia is eating some biscuits. At the same time, Sonia is listening to some songs by Coldplay.

_____ as

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3. Justin is eating his breakfast. At the same time, Justin is preparing to go to school.

_____ as

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4. Mrs Chin was angry with her son. He had broken her antique Ming vase.

_____ as

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5. I stayed up late at night to complete my revision. I am feeling sleepy.

As _____

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6. Mrs Chong is baking a pandan cake. Mrs Chong is humming a tune at the same time.

_____ as

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7. The lion is watching its prey carefully. The lion is moving slowly towards its prey.

_____ as

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8. Andy became ill. Andy had eaten four tubs of ice-cream and three chocolate bars.

_____ as

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9. Adele fell and cut her knee. The reason for this is that she was chasing after her pet hamster.

_____ as

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10. Lee Sheng's parents punished him. Lee Sheng lied about his poor grades..

As _____

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