

Exercise 4

Read the information. Then complete the sentences. Use the words and phrases in the box.

Conjunctions are linking words that help you to connect your ideas. It is important to use conjunctions in your written and spoken English correctly as this will improve your Cohesion and Coherence mark in the IELTS test. Future time phrases such as *provided that*, *as long as* and *as soon as* are called *subordinating conjunctions*.

One purpose of a subordinating conjunction is to reduce the importance of one of the clauses so that the reader knows which of the ideas is more important to the writer. Typically in English, the less important idea is introduced by the subordinating conjunction. For example:

As soon as the new tramway is built, there will be less traffic on the roads.

In the example, the writer's aim is to show that less traffic on the roads is more important than the new tramway being built.

as long as

as soon as

by the time

provided that

supposing

unless

1. My bank will lend me the money _____ I agree to pay it back in five years.
2. I think you will get that job _____ you don't do badly at the interview.
3. The police wouldn't let me park there _____ I showed them proof that I lived in the street.
4. I hope to have travelled around Asia _____ I am 50 years old.
5. _____ I get home, I will book our tickets for the theatre.
6. _____ the car park is full when we arrive, will we be able to find alternative parking?