



TIME EXPRESSIONS



Instructions: Read the text about teacher Eva's day, identify the blank spaces and fill in the blanks using the expressions in the following box.

Before	After	By the time	As soon as	Until	When
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Today is going to be a day busier than normal. I'll write everything down so I don't forget it. _____ I wake up, I'll make my bed and open the windows. _____ I get into the shower, I will turn on the coffee machine. _____ I shower, I'll put some clothes on and enjoy my coffee.

I want to prepare an amazing dinner because my mom is visiting me tonight. _____ my shift at work ends, I'll run to the store and buy everything I need. _____ my mom arrives, dinner will be ready. We will have a great time. I won't go to sleep _____ she leaves and gets home safely.



Time clauses are used in English to demonstrate a period of time based on an action or event, similar to dependent clauses in conditional sentences.

For example, *I will cook dinner when I get home.* 'When I get home' is a clause demonstrating a point in time, based on an action/event (the time that I get home), in place of a time such as *I will cook dinner.*