

**EXERCISES ON ADVERB CLAUSES**

**From the four words or phrases (A), (B), (C), or (D), choose the one that best completes the sentence.**

1. Plexiglas is used in aircraft windows \_\_\_\_\_ is almost unbreakable.  
 (A) it  
 (B) because it  
 (C) because  
 (D) it because
2. American Indians grew popcorn for a few thousand years \_\_\_\_\_ arrival of European explorers in the 1400s.  
 (A) before  
 (B) before the  
 (C) since  
 (D) since they
3. The body uses proteins for energy \_\_\_\_\_ and fats cannot meet its energy needs.  
 (A) that carbohydrates  
 (B) when carbohydrates  
 (C) when they are carbohydrates  
 (D) that when carbohydrates
4. Spider monkeys are the best climbers in the jungle, \_\_\_\_\_ they do not have thumbs.  
 (A) nevertheless  
 (B) for  
 (C) despite  
 (D) although
5. Stars are hot bodies that give out light of their own, \_\_\_\_\_ planets shine only by reflecting light.  
 (A) however there are  
 (B) since  
 (C) whereas  
 (D) while they
6. A silkworm has glands that secrete a liquid that hardens into silk \_\_\_\_\_ comes into contact with air.  
 (A) as it  
 (B) when  
 (C) that  
 (D) it
7. \_\_\_\_\_ their immense distances, quasars have relatively high magnitudes.  
 (A) Whereas  
 (B) In spite of  
 (C) Although  
 (D) Yet
8. \_\_\_\_\_ body's activities put strains on certain bones, these bones strengthen themselves where the stress is greatest.  
 (A) That if  
 (B) That  
 (C) Because of  
 (D) If the

9. \_\_\_\_\_ Herman Melville is now regarded as one of America's finest writers, his greatest works mystified readers in his own lifetime.

(A) It is despite  
(B) Despite  
(C) Even though  
(D) In spite of

10. \_\_\_\_\_ laser beam can be moved easily in all directions, it can be used for highly accurate cutting in industry.

(A) Because of  
(B) It is a  
(C) A  
(D) As a

11. Limestone powder is added to animal feed \_\_\_\_\_ animals form good strong bones.

(A) why  
(B) so that  
(C) as a result of  
(D) it is that

12. \_\_\_\_\_ sodium chloride (salt) is not used by sea-living organisms, it forms the dominant mineral in seawater.

(A) Since  
(B) It is since  
(C) Although  
(D) Although it