

26 When clauses

I can recognize and use when to join clauses.



We use **when** as a conjunction to join two actions. The **when** clause can be the first or second clause in a sentence. If the **when** clause comes first in a sentence, it is followed by a comma.

*1 Use the prompts to write sentences. Add **when** or a comma.

► John saw his friends / he waved and shouted

When John saw his friends, he waved and shouted.

1 the rain stopped / they started playing football

When _____.

2 we went to Italy / we had a lot of ice cream

When _____.

3 Sara was tired / she got off the train

Sara _____.

4 we cheered / the show finished

We _____.

5 my dad went to school / he had to wear a uniform

When _____.

*2 Match the first clause of the sentences 1–4 with the second clause a–e.

► When I was a baby e

1 You didn't do any work _____

2 She didn't like coffee _____

3 When we lived in France _____

4 When he started the piano _____

a he was very bad at it.

b I spoke French every day.

c when you were on holiday.

d when she was young.

e I couldn't walk or talk.