Future Time Clauses

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Future Time Clauses are dependent clauses in which we use present tenses to talk about the future. They always contain a time conjunction and join with a main clause which uses a future, or sometimes an imperative, form. When the Time Clause is at the beginning of a sentence, it is followed by a comma; but when the main clause is at the beginning, a comma is not required.

A. Use one of the words below in each sentence and circle the correct conjunction.

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1. I will call you *as soon as / until* I get .....

2. *When / while* you leave the room, switch off the .....

3. *Before / after* I finish ....., I'll go to university.

4. *When / before* the ..... arrives, I'll get on it.

5. We'll eat our dinner *while / as soon as* we are watching the .....

6. We'll go on our honeymoon *before / after* we get .....

7. We can't start eating, *when / until* all the ..... have arrived.

8. *As soon as / while* I've ironed your ....., I'll hang them up.

9. *Before / while* I leave the house, I'll have .....

10. *When / while* you've finished eating, brush your .....

B. Complete the sentences below, circling the correct verb form in each.

1. When the lesson finishes, we ..... to our next class.
   a. went b. will go c. have gone

2. As soon as my alarm ....., I'll get up.
   a. is going off b. go off c. goes off

3. I'll keep exercising until I ..... some weight.
   a. have lost b. will lose c. lost

4. Before you ..... to sleep, I'll read you a story.
   a. go b. are going c. will go

5. When you get home, ... the cat.
   a. have fed b. will feed c. feed

6. I'll recycle the bottle after I ..... with it.
   a. am finishing b. have finished c. finished

7. While I ..... to him, I'll invite him to our party.
   a. have talked b. am talking c. will talk

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C. Complete the sentences below using the verbs provided in the correct form.

1. When the bakery ....., we ..... a loaf of bread. (open, buy)

2. I ..... a cup of tea as soon as I ..... home. (make, get)

3. We ..... in the park until it ..... dark. (stay, get)

4. After you ..... the table, ... the washing up. (clear, do)

5. Before I ..... the eggs, I ..... some butter in the pan. (add, melt)

D. Starting with the word in bold, put the words in the correct order to create adverbial clause sentences. Remember to add commas where necessary.

1. my / **before** / hands / we / I'll / have / dinner / wash

.....

2. more / the / get / **I'll** / while / shop / wine / at / I'm / some

.....

3. you / **as** / as / the / soon / post / arrives / I'll / let / know

.....

4. I / to / **when** / wedding / get / married / I'll / you / my / invite

.....

5. order / our / after / finished / **we'll** / main / we've / dessert / course

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E. With a partner, plan an imaginary holiday to any country you like. Without saying what the country is, complete the sentences as though you were going to visit that country, circling the correct conjunction, and putting the verb in the correct form.

1. *As soon as / while* we ..... (arrive), we'll go to: _____

2. *After / until* we've checked in to our hotel, we ..... (eat): _____

3. *As soon as / when* we ..... (go) sightseeing, we'll visit: _____

4. We won't come home *as soon as / until* we ..... (try): _____

5. *While / before* we're there, we ..... (take) photos of: _____

6. *When / until* we ..... (get) thirsty, we'll drink: _____

7. *Before / after* we come home, we ..... (buy): _____ as souvenirs.

When you've completed your sentences, find another partner. Read them your sentences and see if they can guess where you're going for your holiday.

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