

## Clauses and complex sentences

Match each subordinate clause in column B with a suitable main clause in column A to form a complex sentence. Right your complex sentence is on the next page.

| Column B  |
|---|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• since her mother had a headache</li><li>• in order to win the scholarship</li><li>• as she did not understand the jokes</li><li>• that perspiration dripped from his brow</li><li>• as much as my mother does</li><li>• because she realized she would not have to sing solo</li><li>• So that he will have less trouble adjusting to this school</li><li>• so that I could help you prepare for the party</li><li>• that she prefers to go hungry then make a sandwich to eat</li><li>• that tears rolled down his cheeks</li><li>• that his health was seriously affected</li></ul> |

| Column A                                      | Column B |
|---|----------|
| 1. Jane sighed with relief                    |          |
| 2. I'm going to help the new student          |          |
| 3. He worked so hard                          |          |
| 4. I came early                               |          |
| 5. Tom's old aunt did not enjoy the show      |          |
| 6. He laughed so much                         |          |
| 7. Jane thought it best to turn off the music |          |
| 8. The sun was so hot                         |          |
| 9. My sister is so lazy                       |          |
| 10. My father doesn't like pears              |          |
| 11. He studied very hard                      |          |

Subordinating conjunctions are used to combine an dependent clause here are some examples of some common subordinating conjunctions.

|            |             |          |
|------------|-------------|----------|
| After      | even if     | that     |
| before     | even though | unless   |
| once       | if          | until    |
| although   | if only     | when     |
| as         | in order to | whenever |
| as if      | now that    | where    |
| as long as | rather than | where is |
| because    | while       | than     |

Now practice doing your own sentences using the subordinating conjunctions above.

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_
5. \_\_\_\_\_