ADVERBIAL CLAUSES

CEFR Level A1 — Beginners

English Language Worksheets | 4 Worksheets + Answer Key

Worksheet 1: Joining Two Ideas

We use words like when, because and if to join two parts of a sentence.

Name: _____ Date: _____ Class: _____

PART A — **Look and learn**

An adverbial clause adds information to the main idea. It often begins with a joining word. Study the table.

Joining word	It tells us…	Example
when	time	I brush my teeth when I get up.
because	reason (why)	She is happy because it is her birthday.
if	condition	If it rains, we stay at home.
before	time	Wash your hands before you eat.
after	time	We play after we finish our homework.
so that	purpose	I run so that I can be fast.

Remember! The two parts can swap places: ***When I get up, I brush my teeth.*** *We put a comma after the first part.*

PART B — **Circle the correct joining word**

Circle the word that makes the sentence make sense.

1. I wear a coat (because / so that) it is cold.
2. (If / After) you are tired, go to bed.
3. We eat breakfast (before / because) we go to school.
4. She smiles (when / if) she sees her friends.
5. I study hard (so that / when) I can pass the test.
6. (After / Because) the film ended, we went home.
7. Take an umbrella (if / after) it rains.
8. He was happy (because / before) he won the game.

Score: _____ / 8

Worksheet 2: Fill in the Gaps

Choose the right joining word for each sentence.

Name: _____ Date: _____ Class: _____

PART A — **Complete the sentences**

after • because • before • if • so that • when

Write one joining word from the box in each gap. You can use a word more than once.

1. I was late _____ I missed the bus.
2. _____ you are hungry, have an apple.
3. Brush your teeth _____ you go to bed.
4. We were happy _____ the sun came out.
5. I saved my money _____ I could buy a bike.
6. _____ we had lunch, we went for a walk.
7. She was sad _____ her dog was ill.
8. Call me _____ you arrive at the station.

PART B — **Write about yourself**

Finish each sentence with your own idea. Write a full sentence.

1. I am happy when _____ **.**

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2. I go to bed because _____ **.**

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3. If it is sunny tomorrow, _____ **.**

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Score: _____ / 11

Worksheet 3: Find and Match

Match the two halves, then correct the mistakes.

Name: _____ Date: _____ Class: _____

PART A — **Match the two halves**

Match each beginning (1–5) with the best ending (A–E).

Beginning	Ending
1. I stayed at home ___	A. before you cross the road.
2. Look both ways ___	B. because I was ill.
3. She was tired ___	C. if you press this button.
4. The machine starts ___	D. when we go to the beach.
5. We have fun ___	E. because she worked all day.

My answers: 1 ___ 2 ___ 3 ___ 4 ___ 5 ___

PART B — **Correct the mistakes**

Each sentence has ONE mistake. Write the correct sentence.

1. "I was happy because is my birthday."
   Correction: _____
2. "When I get home I watch TV." (add the missing comma)
   Correction: _____
3. "She stayed inside because it."
   Correction: _____
4. "We eat after we will finish."
   Correction: _____
5. "Because I like it, I eat pizza it."
   Correction: _____

Score: _____ / 10

Worksheet 4: Writing Practice

Join ideas to write about your day and your family.

Name: _____ Date: _____ Class: _____

PART A — **Join the two sentences**

Join each pair with the word in brackets. Write one new sentence.

1. I was cold. I put on a coat. *(because)*
   _____
2. The bell rings. The children go outside. *(when)*
   _____
3. You finish your dinner. You can have ice cream. *(after)*
   _____
4. It is a nice day. We can go to the park. *(if)*
   _____

PART B — **About me**

Write three sentences about your day. Use when, because and if — one in each sentence.

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Score: _____ / 6

ANSWER KEY & TEACHER NOTES

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Worksheet 1 – Part B (Circle the joining word)

#	Question / Item	Answer / Guidance
1	I wear a coat …	**because**
2	… you are tired	**If**
3	We eat breakfast …	**before**
4	She smiles …	**when**
5	I study hard …	**so that**
6	… the film ended	**After**
7	Take an umbrella …	**if**
8	He was happy …	**because**

Worksheet 2 – Gap Fill & Personal Writing

#	Question / Item	Answer / Guidance
A	Gaps 1–8 in order	**because, If, before, when, so that, After, because, when**
B	Personal sentences 1–3	**Accept any grammatically correct full sentence that uses the joining word correctly (e.g. 'I am happy when I see my friends.').**

Worksheet 3 – Match & Mistakes

#	Question / Item	Answer / Guidance
A	Matching 1–5	**1–B, 2–A, 3–E, 4–C, 5–D**
B1	"because is my birthday"	**… because it is my birthday. (add the subject 'it')**
B2	missing comma	**When I get home, I watch TV.**
B3	"because it"	**She stayed inside because it was raining. (finish the clause)**
B4	"we will finish"	**We eat after we finish. (no future tense after 'after')**
B5	"I eat pizza it"	**Because I like it, I eat pizza. (remove the extra 'it')**

Worksheet 4 – Writing (model answers)

#	Question / Item	Answer / Guidance
1	because	**I put on a coat because I was cold. / Because I was cold, I put on a coat.**
2	when	**When the bell rings, the children go outside.**
3	after	**After you finish your dinner, you can have ice cream.**
4	if	**If it is a nice day, we can go to the park.**

#	Question / Item	Answer / Guidance
B	About me	**Award 1 mark per correct sentence (max 3): one each with when, because and if, used accurately.**