

20.2 Adverb Clauses (Recognizing Adverb Clauses)

• Practice 1

Recognizing Adverb Clauses An adverb clause is a subordinate clause that modifies a verb, an adjective, or an adverb. Adverb clauses begin with subordinate conjunctions such as *as*, *although*, *since*, *when*, *if*, and *because*. Adverb clauses tell when, where, how, why, or to what extent.

Adverb Clauses
<p>Chuck cannot go <i>since he has not finished his chores</i>. <i>Because she has been ill</i>, Lisa takes a nap every day. This trick is easier <i>when you practice it for a while</i>. The book ends better <i>than I expected</i>.</p>

Exercise 1 **Identifying Adverb Clauses.** Underline the adverb clause in each sentence. Circle the verb, adjective, or adverb it modifies.

EXAMPLE: I came because I was asked.

1. If the roads are sanded, we will leave immediately.
2. I am often tired after I work a six-day week.
3. His new idea sounds as if it might actually work.
4. My haircut and shampoo took longer than I had imagined.
5. Whenever I visit a museum, I greatly enjoy the exhibits.
6. Her apartment will be brighter when she repaints it.
7. Wait where I can signal you from the window.
8. Because he lied in court, his sentence was longer.
9. My brother was upset when I phoned from the station.
10. While you wait, the artist will complete your portrait.

Exercise 2 **Writing Sentences With Adverb Clauses.** Add an adverb clause in each sentence below.

EXAMPLE: When I get your message, I will leave.

1. I will not make any plans _____.
2. _____, Bill has been unable to work.
3. Your job will be easier _____.
4. Mom will pick up your photos _____.
5. My class lasted longer _____.
6. I will finish my homework early _____.
7. _____, your room will look neater.
8. _____, the teacher will consider changing your grade.
9. As soon as my aunt phoned from Los Angeles, _____.
10. I was much happier _____.