

Application and Reasoning

Step 7: Using Conjunctions to Express Time, Place and Cause

National Curriculum Objectives:

English Year 3: (3G1.4) [Using conjunctions to express time and cause](#)

English Year 3: (3G1.4) [Express time, place and cause using conjunctions \[for example, when, before, after, while, so, because\]](#)

Differentiation:

Questions 1, 4 and 7 (Application)

Developing Complete sentences with time, place or cause conjunctions. Sentences include two short clauses. Word bank given.

Expected Complete sentences with time, place or cause conjunctions. Sentences include two expanded clauses. No word bank given.

Greater Depth Complete sentences with time, place or cause conjunctions. Sentences include two expanded clauses with conjunctions in different positions within the sentence.

Questions 2, 5 and 8 (Application)

Developing Describe a given picture by writing a sentence that includes a time, place or cause conjunction. Sentences include two short clauses. Word bank given.

Expected Describe a given picture by writing a sentence that includes a time, place or cause conjunction. Sentences include two expanded clauses. No word bank given.

Greater Depth Describe a given picture by writing a sentence that starts with a time, place or cause conjunction. Sentences include two expanded clauses with conjunctions in different positions within a sentence.

Questions 3, 6 and 9 (Reasoning)

Developing Explain whether a given sentence is correct. Sentences include time, place or cause conjunctions and two short clauses.

Expected Explain whether a given sentence is correct. Sentences include time, place or cause and two expanded clauses.

Greater Depth Explain whether a given sentence is correct. Sentences include time, place or cause and two expanded clauses with conjunctions in different positions within the sentence.

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1a. Using the word bank, complete each sentence with a conjunction.

A. We enjoy going swimming _____
we have a great time in the water.

B. I like to spread the butter on my toast
_____ it gets cold.

because

while

where

before



A

1b. Using the word bank, complete each sentence with a conjunction.

A. The magpie picks up shiny things
_____ it goes.

B. It is almost bedtime _____ we need
to get our pyjamas on.

when

if

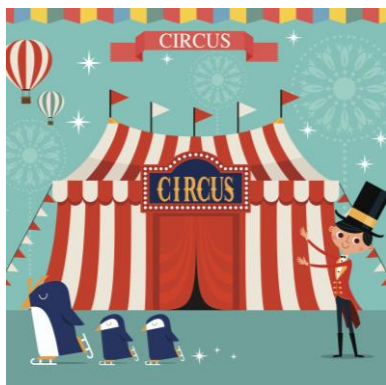
wherever

so



A

2a. Write a sentence using a time
conjunction to describe the picture
below. Use the word bank to help you.



before

when

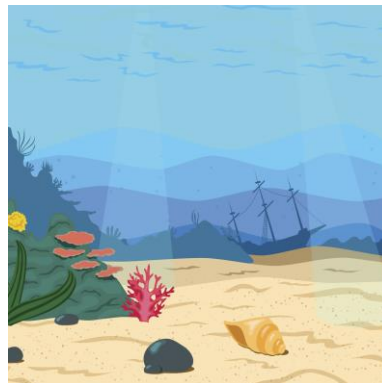
if

because



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2b. Write a sentence using a causal
conjunction to describe the picture
below. Use the word bank to help you.



because

after

due to

wherever



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3a. Sammy has been asked to write a
sentence using a time conjunction.

	I played outside because it had
	finally stopped raining.

Is he correct? Explain your answer.



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3b. Josie has been asked to write a
sentence using a causal conjunction.

	We ran to the shop after we were
	picked up from school.

Is she correct? Explain your answer.



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4a. Complete each sentence with a conjunction.

A. We're very excited today _____
we're having a disco at school.

B. I always brush my teeth every morning _____
I've had my cereal and toast
for breakfast.



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4b. Complete each sentence with a conjunction.

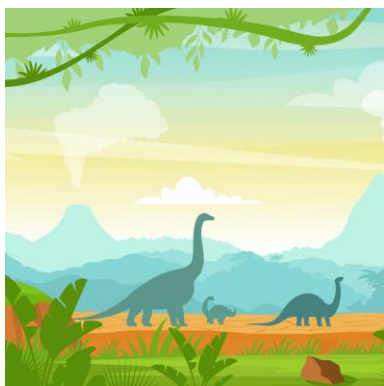
A. My loyal dog waits patiently for me _____
I leave him alone in the house.

B. My dad was cutting my fringe with
sharp scissors _____ I kept very still.



A

5a. Write a sentence with two expanded
clauses and a place conjunction to
describe the picture below.



A

5b. Write a sentence with two expanded
clauses and a time conjunction to
describe the picture below.



A

6a. Waheed has been asked to write a
sentence using a causal conjunction.

	My karate lesson was
	cancelled yesterday due to
	the teacher being poorly.

Is he correct? Explain your answer.



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6b. Theo has been asked to write a
sentence using a time conjunction.

	My dad left the soft teddy where
	my baby brother could reach it.

Is he correct? Explain your answer.



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7a. Complete each sentence with a conjunction.

A. The plants were withering and dying _____ the cattle had nothing to eat and were starving to death.

B. _____ Olivia had drank all her diluted orange juice, she finished eating her delicious cheese sandwich.



A

7b. Complete each sentence with a conjunction.

A. _____ the competitors heard the starting pistol fire, they started running the 100m Olympic final.

B. The kind-hearted person did good deeds for other people _____ they went, which was much appreciated.



A

8a. Write a sentence starting with a time conjunction and with two expanded clauses to describe the picture below.



A

8b. Write a sentence starting with a place conjunction and with two expanded clauses to describe the picture below.



A

9a. Aliza has been asked to write a sentence using a causal conjunction.

The monsoon season in India lasts
for several months, therefore the
plants grow very quickly.

Is she correct? Explain your answer.



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9b. Katie has been asked to write a sentence using a time conjunction.

Until global warming is reversed
by all countries working together,
our weather will continue to be
unpredictable.

Is she correct? Explain your answer.



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Developing

- 1a. A – because, B – before
- 2a. Various answers, for example: We went to watch the circus act before we went on the rides.
- 3a. Sammy is incorrect because he has used the conjunction 'because' which is a causal conjunction.

Expected

- 4a. Various answers, for example: A – because, B – after
- 5a. Various answers, for example: The enormous dinosaur roamed a land where nobody had set foot before.
- 6a. Waheed is correct because he has used the conjunction 'due to' which is a causal conjunction.

Greater Depth

- 7a. Various answers, for example: A – therefore, B – Once
- 8a. Various answers, for example: As soon as the sun began to rise, the farmer set off across the field and went straight to work.
- 9a. Aliza is correct because she has used the conjunction 'therefore' which is a causal conjunction.

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Developing

- 1b. A – wherever, B – so
- 2b. Various answers, for example: The ship sank to the sea bed because there was no one taking care of it.
- 3b. Josie is incorrect because she has used the conjunction 'after' which is a time conjunction.

Expected

- 4b. Various answers, for example: A – whenever, B – while
- 5b. Various answers, for example: We had lots of fun playing in the park before we went home for our delicious tea.
- 6b. Theo is incorrect because he has used the conjunction 'where' which is a place conjunction.

Greater Depth

- 7b. Various answers, for example: A – As soon as, B – wherever
- 8b. Various answers, for example: Behind the Ferris Wheel, the speedy roller coaster whizzed by and the people screamed in excitement.
- 9b. Katie is correct because she has used the conjunction 'until' which is a time conjunction.