

# SUBORDINATE CLAUSES



## What is a Subordinate Clause?

A subordinate clause is a clause that cannot stand alone as a complete sentence, because it does not express a complete thought. The reader is left wondering, "So what happened?"



### Example:

***Unless Peter finishes his homework,*** he will have to face the angry teacher tomorrow.

**Example:**

He left the office **before** I reached there

**A long sentence with two small sentences and joined with 'before'**

**Subordinates Conjunctions**

**are words such as:**

after

although

as

because

before

even if

even though

if

in order that

once

provided that

rather than

since

so that

than

that

though

unless

until

when

whenever

where

whereas

wherever

whether

while

why