

Time Conjunctions



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Conjunctions

What are conjunctions?

Conjunctions are used to join ideas in a sentence. They are used to give more information, give reasons or other ideas – they join the ideas together.



They can be used at the **beginning** of a sentence.

When the dog had settled in his basket, he began to snore gently.

Or they can be used in the **middle** of a sentence.

The dog began to snore gently **when** he had settled in his basket.

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More examples can be seen below:

Before

she left for school, she brushed her teeth.

She brushed her teeth

before

she left for school.

After

the rain had stopped, the children went out to play.

The children went out to play

after

the rain has stopped.

Activity

Decide which time conjunction would go best in each of these sentences.

after

since

before

whenever

until

1. I enjoy playing at the park _____ school.
2. _____ I have a treat I eat my meal .
3. I don't go to bed _____ I have brushed my teeth.
4. _____ I started Year 4 I have been feeling really grown up.
5. I wear a waterproof coat _____ it rains heavily.

Discuss whether the conjunction appears at the **beginning** or **middle** of each of these sentences.

Activity

Answers

after

since

before

whenever

until

1. I enjoy playing at the park after school.
2. Before I have a treat I eat my meal .
3. I don't go to bed until I have brushed my teeth.
4. Since I started Year 4 I have been feeling really grown up.
5. I wear a waterproof coat whenever it rains heavily.

Look at where the conjunctions appear in each of these sentences.

