

Subordinate Clauses and Punctuation

Independent Clause- a group of words that can stand by themselves as a complete sentence.

Subordinate Clause- although it has a complete subject and verb, it cannot stand by itself as a complete sentence; it can only be a part of a sentence.

Typically, subordinate clauses are paired with independent clauses and appear at the beginning of a sentence. A **comma** separates the subordinate clause from the independent clause.

A subordinate clause begins with a subordinating conjunction. Here is a table of the most common subordinating conjunctions:

In order to	As	Whether	As soon as	Whenever	During	Before
If	Even though	Until	As if	As long as	So that	While
After	Although	Where	Wherever	Even	Even if	When
Since	Unless	Though	Because			

***Note:** combing a subordinate clause with an independent clause creates a **complex sentence**.

IVF Rules

1. Write only 1 sentence
2. End the verb with an "s" (stay in present tense)
3. Punctuate the title of the selection correctly. Underlined for books (or italicized if you are typing), quoted for articles or plays

IVF Verbs

acknowledges
adds
asks
clarifies
confirms
confronts
compares
critiques
demonstrates
describes
encourages
endorses
traces

entertains
enumerates
explains
explores
features
furnishes
gives
identifies
illustrates
invites
lists
names

offers
praises
presents
provides
proposes
recommends
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