

Subordinate Conjunctions

Joins a subordinate clause and a main clause.

If, Since, As, When, Although, While, After, Before, Until, Because,

Try to remember these important subordinating conjunctions by remembering the phrase, 'I Saw A Wabub'

Coordinating Conjunctions

Joins two independent (main) clauses.

For
And
Nor
But
Or
Yet
So

Try to remember these important coordinating conjunctions by remembering the acronym: FANBOYS

Modal Verbs – Show degree of certainty or possibility.

Could, should, would, might, often, ought, can



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Clauses

Main clause – A simple sentence that contains a subject and a verb. It makes sense on its own, e.g. *I went to school*

Subordinate clause – Contains a subordinating conjunction. Adds detail to a main clause; is not a full sentence. The subordinate clause can appear at the start, end or middle of a sentence, e.g. *I went to school while my brother stayed at home.*

Relative Clause – A type of subordinating clause that always begins with a relative pronoun.
Relative Pronouns = who, whom, whose, which or that.

Punctuation

Colon(:) – Introduces a list or separates two main clauses when the second explains or describes the first clause.

Semi-colon(;) – joins two related independent clauses together

Dashes (–), brackets (), commas (,)
Used within a sentence to add additional information - Parenthesis
The cat (that didn't belong to me) was black.

Apostrophes

For possession: Shows us that something belongs to the subject, e.g. My Mum's bag.

Take care when using apostrophes with plurals, e.g. the pupils' coats.
(More than one pupil has a coat)

For omission: Shows us that a letter has been missed out to create informality, e.g. Do not do that = don't do that.

More Punctuation

Hyphen (-) – Creates compound words to give a clear meaning.

The **man-eating** shark.

The man eating shark.

Subjunctive form or mood

A verb form to express wishes, hopes, commands, demands or suggestions.

If I **were** the prime minister...

Noun Phrases – Gives detail about a noun but does not contain a verb

An ancient book in a leather sleeve was hidden in the library.

Passive and Active Voice

Active – Subject performs the action.

Passive – When the subject has something done to it.

If you see 'by someone' or can add by zombies to the end and the sentence and it makes sense you know it is written in the passive voice.

Prepositions: Indicate position of a noun in a sentence, e.g. over, by, under, along, for, down, through and in.

Commands, Questions, Statements and exclamations

Commands - begin with an imperative Verb, e.g. *Wash your hands.*

Questions - expect an answer in return e.g. *Did you enjoy the trip?*

Statements - tell the reader something e.g. *The leaves fall off trees in autumn.*

Exclamations – Must start with a How or What, e.g. *What an amazing piece of work!*

Determiners – A word before a noun and identifies the noun in further detail.

articles	a boy, an orange, the cat
demonstratives	this apple, that car, these shops, those girls
possessives	his hat, her homework, my book, their house
quantifiers	some rice, each word, every box
numbers	one chair, two men, three dogs
question words	which bag, what letter, whose computer

Tenses – Tells us when in time an action took place

Past	Present	Future
Simple Past I walked We saw You ran	Simple Present I walk We see You run	Simple Future I will walk We will see You will run
Past Continuous/ Progressive I was walking We were seeing You were running	Present Continuous/ Progressive I am walking We are seeing You are running	Future Continuous/ Progressive I will be walking We will be seeing You will be running
Past Perfect I had walked We had seen You had run	Present Perfect I have walked We have seen You have run	Future Perfect I will have walked We will have seen You will have run

Parts of speech Punctuation pre inverted comma

The child asked, "What are your plans for the weekend?"

Comma
Inverted Comma
Capital letter
Inverted Comma