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L.O. To understand complex sentences

WORKSHEET ONE

IDENTIFYING THE SUBORDINATE CLAUSES

The main clause in a complex sentence is the clause that makes sense on its own. The subordinate clause begins with a subordinating conjunction and doesn't make sense on its own. Another clue is that if the subordinate clause comes first in the sentence it's followed by a comma.

Underline the **subordinate clause** in each sentence below.

If you don't want to print this worksheet out, just write the **subordinate clause** in your book and don't forget to include the conjunction.

1. *Even though he was a very famous actor, he was really shy.*
2. *Lucy wasn't allowed to go out to play unless she had finished her writing.*
3. *Because she was excellent at maths, she decided she would get a job in a bank.*
4. *I waved to my friend as he was coming towards me.*
5. *He spent most of his holiday reading while lying in a hammock.*
6. *After the tornado hit the town, there was only a few houses left standing.*
7. *Sam slept all night until the crack of dawn.*
8. *Once she had been practising for a few months, Daisy was very good at painting.*