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Identifying Clauses in Complex Sentences Worksheet

A complex sentence has an independent clause and a dependent clause. An independent clause is a complete sentence that can stand on its own. A dependent or subordinate clause is not a complete sentence for it cannot stand on its own.

Dependent clauses start with subordinating conjunctions such as: after, so, because, since, although, even though, before, unless, whenever etc...

Directions: Read each sentence below. Underline the independent clause once and the dependent or subordinate clause twice.

Example A: Though he was late, he still made a contribution.

Answer: Though he was late, he still made a contribution.

- 1. After the game, we all went out for pizza.
- 2. Although we were late, we were still let into the show.
- 3. Unless he shows up, I will have to go on without him.
- 4. Even though they did the work, they will still have to do it again.
- 5. We went to the fair, since we had the time.
- 6. Whenever you are ready, you need to let me know.
- 7. Wherever you are, I will find you.
- 8. Before the game, I went to the store and bought some gum.
- 9. If he fails, I will be the one to blame.
- 10. Because of the exam, I will be able to go to college.
- 11. As an officer, I will be sworn in to my duty.

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