

Using conjunctions and prepositions to add information



Clauses



Clauses are groups of words with an **active verb** and a **subject**.

Sinbad **kept** watch.

He **looked** all around.

Then **he** **spotted** the island in the distance.

He **shouted** loudly, excited to see it.



The **subject** is 'the doer' of the verb; it can be a noun or pronoun.

Revision

Conjunctions

Conjunctions join clauses.



as
because
so

before
after
when
since
until
as
while

wherever
where

Sinbad kept watch.

He spotted the island.

He shouted loudly.

He had adventures.



Sinbad kept watch **because** they needed food.

He shouted loudly **when** he spotted the island.

Wherever he went, he had adventures.

Remember – a clause always has an active verb.

Conjunctions

Conjunctions help us express **time**, **place** and **cause**.



Sinbad kept watch... **while** the other men worked.

Sinbad kept watch... **after** they had travelled for days.

Sinbad kept watch... **when** he was hoping for land.

When?

Spot the active verb in each clause.

*Try adding your own clause to express **time**.*



Conjunctions



Conjunctions help us express **time**, **place** and **cause**.

He spotted the island... **where** he had been looking.

He spotted the island... **where** the sky met the sea.

He spotted the island... **where** the bird had flown from.

Where?

Wherever is useful for more general statements.

*He has adventures **wherever** he goes.*

*He finds new treasure **wherever** he lands.*

*The bird followed **wherever** the ship sailed.*



Spot the
active verb
in each
clause.

Try adding your own clause to express place.

Conjunctions



Conjunctions help us express **time**, **place** and **cause**.

He shouted loudly... **because** he was excited.

Why?

He shouted loudly ... **since** he wanted everyone to hear.

Why?

He shouted loudly... **as** he hoped they would eat soon!

Why?

Spot the active verb in each clause.



*Try adding your own clause to express **cause**.*



Phrases

A **phrase** is a group of words which adds meaning to a sentence.

*on the island
with a massive rock
in the sea
because of the hunger*



There is **no active verb** in a phrase.

Revision

Prepositions



Prepositions link a **phrase** to a clause.

There must be a door **in** here somewhere!

I will hit it **with** this rock.

A crack opened up **in** the middle of the egg.



under **outside** **from** **while** **due to**
on **inside** **above** **from** **because of**
below **during** **on** **since**
over **at** **after** **for** **in** **between** **before**



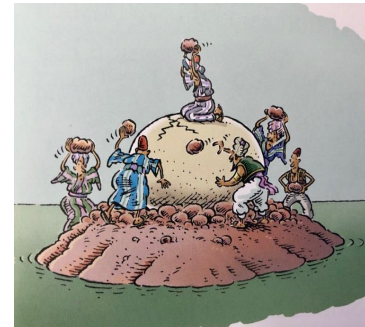
Prepositions

Prepositions help us express **time**, place and cause.

Sinbad spotted the island **at** dawn.

The men struggled **during** the afternoon.

The bird arrived **after** the feasting.



When?

Prepositions
while, since,
before, during,
after, at, on

*Try adding your own prepositional phrase to express **time**.*



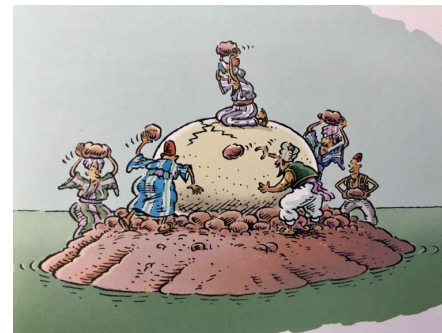
Prepositions

Prepositions help us express time, **place** and cause.

The man balanced **on top** of the egg.

The bird flew **above** the men.

They found delicious yolk **in** the middle of the egg.



Where?

Prepositions

above, below,
inside, outside, on,
in, between

*Try adding your own prepositional phrase to express **place**.*

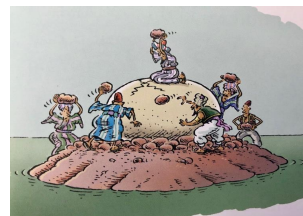
Prepositions



Prepositions help us express time, place and **cause**.

The men threw rocks **in** a wild effort.

They were desperate **due to** their deep hunger.



They were at risk **because** the bird was near.

How?

Why?

Why?

Prepositions

because of, due to,
from, for

*Try adding your own prepositional phrase to express **cause**.*

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