

Adverb clauses (Adverbial clauses) are groups of words with a subject and a verb that function as adverbs. There are many different types: *contrast, purpose, cause, effect, comparison, time, place, manner, and condition*.

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Adverb Clause of Time

Adverb clauses of time tell us about **when** something happens. We can use [conjunctions](#) like '**when**', '**whenever**', '**before**', '**after**', '**as**', '**while**', '**until**', '**as soon as**', and '**since**':

- *I stopped running **when I saw my friend**.*
- *Annie gets excited **whenever she sees a dog**.*
- *I'll do my homework **before I go back to school**.*
- *Harry went home **after the movie ended**.*
- *I watched my mother **as she prepared dinner**.*
- *He washed the dishes **while his girlfriend vacuumed the floor**.*
- *I will come over **as soon as I finish eating**.*
- *Gemma hasn't stopped working **since she arrived**.*

Adverb Clause of Place

Adverb clauses of place tell us about **where** something happens. We can use '**where**', '**wherever**', and '**everywhere**':

- **Wherever I go**, I always see McDonald's.
- I'm not sure **where she lives**.
- We met kind people **everywhere we went**.

Note that clauses beginning with '**whenever**', '**wherever**', and '**everywhere**' show that something **always** happens in a place or at a certain time.

Adverb Clause of Condition

Adverb clauses of condition tell us about the **circumstances** under which something happens. These clauses often begin with '**if**', '**unless**', or '**provided that**':

- I only watch TV **if my favorite show is on**.
- He won't go to university **unless he studies very hard**.
- You can play the game, **provided that you follow the rules**.

Adverb Clause of Manner

Adverb clauses of manner show us **how** something happens. They usually begin with '**like**', '**as though**' or '**as if**':

- She looked **as though she was in pain**.
- Ryan walked past **as if he hadn't seen us**.
- He talked to me **like I was a child**.

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