

# ***Adverbial clauses***

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# *Plan*

*1. Adverbial clause of result*

*2. Adverbial clause of manner  
and comparison*

# WHAT IS AN ADVERBIAL CLAUSE?

***A group of words which contains a subject and a finite verb (the main verb in a sentence) that describes a verb, an adjective and another adverb***

# Adverbial Clause of Result

These clauses are always linked with *so that*, *so+adj.\adv. + that* and *such +a+ noun+that.etc.*

# Examples

1. Colin was *so weak that* he could not run.

2. It was *such a strange story that* no one believed it.

# *Clause of comparison*

*They answer the questions **HOW MUCH?**, **HOW LITTLE?**. The principal conjunctions are **AS**, **AS THOUGH/IF**, **AS.....AS**, **SO.....AS** and structures of comparison. If there is doubt or unreality, the past tense is used. Sometimes, an inversion subject/verb is produced*

# Examples

*1.He is older than he looks.*

*2.No one can run faster than Raman.*

*3.You may do as you please.*

*4.It all ended as I expected.*

*5.As he has lived so he will die.*

# ADVERBIAL CLAUSE OF MANNER

**These clauses are  
introduced by *as*,  
*as if* and *as though***

# *Examples*

**1. Please do as I have told you.**

**2. He cries as if he were mad.**

**3. She speaks as though he were the boss.**

***The subjunctive is used after  
as if and as though***

***Find the adverb clauses in these sentences. What are their meanings (time, place...)? If it is a reduced adverb clause, add the missing words.***

- **1.I am happier than I ever was before.**
- **2.That horse is more obstinate than a mule.**
- **3.Ben fields baseballs better than he hits.**



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