

# Adverbial clauses

Time clauses

*I have lived here **since my childhood.***

Conditional clauses ***Unless you do as I say,** I'll punish you.*

Purpose clauses *I've come here **in order that you could speak to me.***

Reason clauses *I am here **because you need me.***

Result clauses *You should go there at once **so that you can arrive in the morning.***

Concessive (contrast) clauses *I wouldn't say I'm shopaholic, **although I do sometimes spend a lot of money.***

Place clauses *He left the mobile **where it lay.***

Clauses of manner *He ran to the house **as though he wanted to escape.***

# Purpose clauses

## 1. With "to" infinitive phrase.

I left the party early                      to catch                      the last bus.                      or

I left the party early                      in order to catch                      the last bus.  
or

I left the party early                      so as to catch                      the last bus.

For negative

She went downstairs barefoot                      in order ~~not~~ to                      be heard.

## 2. With *in order that, so, so that.* (usually modals are used)

Refers to the present - *can, may, will, shall*

I have brought some coffee and a few sandwiches so that you  
**can** have a bite.

Refers to the past – *could might should.*

I packed swimsuits too so that we **could** have a swim.

in order that, so, so that

I spoke slowly and clearly so that                      the audience  
could understand my explanations.

so as to

I walked out into the garden so as to weed the flowerbeds.



## *Reason clauses.*

### 1. Talking about a possible situation explaining the reason why someone does something.

Present simple

I am here just in case anything unusual

happens.

I'll stay here in case she arrives later.

### 2. *In case* expresses a precaution.

You insure things in case they are stolen. (before they are stolen)

**while**      **if** refers to a result.

You should telephone the police if your things are stolen. (you telephone after they have been stolen)



## *Time clauses.*

I'll tell him this funny story when he comes.

Future tenses are not used

Каждый раз, когда я встречаю Алекса, я вспоминаю о нашей поездке.

Every time when I meet Alex I remember our trip.



## Match the underlined adverbial clauses with their types.

1. Alice went to the city where she was born. f

2. As we had some doubts about the accuracy of the information, we couldn't accept their offer. h

3. I had to live in the country so as to be able to look after my invalid cousin. b

4. She behaves as if she were a child. d

5. He won't be tired when he comes. c

6. Although she was annoyed, she couldn't help smiling. g

7. We won't be able to begin on time if he is late. a

8. You should go there at once so that you can arrive in the morning. e

a) conditional clause

b) purpose clause

c) time clause

d) clause of manner

e) result clause

f) place clause

g) contrast clause

h) reason clause

