

Completing Sentence

Part 2

Lest

***Lest* is a conjunction which we use to prevent something undesirable or to avoid the risk of something.**

- **Structure**

Independent Clause + Subordinate Clause (lest + Sub + should + Base form of main verb +.....)

- **Examples**

- i. The students walked faster lest they should miss the important class.
- ii. Avoid mistakes lest you should get poor marks in the exam.
- iii. Lest anyone should doubt my story, I have brought documents to attest to its truth.

As/ Because/ Since (Reason)

- ***As*, *because* and *since* are conjunctions which are used to focus on reason. They connect the result of something with its reason.**

Examples

1. ***As*** a flower is a symbol of beauty, we like it.
2. She spoke quickly ***because*** she didn't have enough time.
3. ***Since*** Bangladesh is an agricultural country, her economy largely depends on agriculture.

Since (Time)

Structure 1

Independent Clause (Present Tense) + Subordinate Clause (Since + Past Indefinite Tense)

Examples

- i. Five years have passed since we met last.
- ii. It is a pretty long time since he came here.

Structure 2

Independent Clause (Past Indefinite Tense) + Subordinate Clause (Since + Past Perfect Tense)

Examples

- i. It was long since I had gone there.
- ii. Ten years passed since we had played together.

No sooner had/ Hardly had/ Scarcely had

Used to show that one thing happens immediately after another thing

Structure 1

No Sooner had + Subject + Past Participle of main verb +...+ than + Subject + Past form of main verb +.....

Example

- No sooner had I gone to school than it started raining.

Structure 2

Hardly had/ Scarcely had + Subject + Past Participle of main verb +...+ when + Subject + Past form of main verb +.....

Examples

- Scarcely had I called him when he entered the room.
- Hardly had we arrived at the station when the train left.

It is high time

Used to say it is time to do something that should have been done a long time ago

Structure

It is high time + Past Indefinite Tense

Examples

It is high time we left the place.

It is high time we changed our food habit.

It is high time they helped the poor.