

Class - 4

English Language

Topic: Clause and Its Type

Lecture -2, Day -2

Types of Clauses:

Clauses are of 2 kinds. They are:

- 1. Main/Independent Clause
- 2. Subordinate/ Dependent Clause

Main/Independent Clause

The clause which expresses a complete meaning and can stand alone as a sentence, is called Main or Independent Clause.

Example:

- 1. I saw a man.
- 2. Teacher asked me some question.
- 3. I know the man.
- 4. You can sit.

Question: Write 5 more example of Principal Clause.

Subordinate/ Dependent Clause

The clause which cannot express a complete meaning and cannot stand alone as a sentence, is called Subordinate or Dependent Clause. It depends on the main clause to complete its meaning.

Example:

- 1. When I was five
- 2. Since it's raining
- 3. If I get A+
- 4. Wherever you want



[<u>Note:</u> The sentences mentioned above is not complete and cannot stand alone as a sentence. These sentences need another clause to complete their meaning.

For Example:

- 1. When I was five, I admitted in this school.
- 2. Since it's raining, we will go out.
- 3. Mom will give me a lot of gifts **if I get A+**.
- 4. You can sit wherever you want.

That is why they are Subordinate or Dependent Clause.]

Subordinate clauses start with **subordinate conjunctions**. Subordinate Conjunctions help to connect two clauses sometimes. **Here are some of the most common subordinate conjunctions:**

When	Since	Even
Who	As	Even if
Whenever	After	Even though
Wherever	Though	Unless
While	Because	Until/Till
Which	Once	Before

Question: Write 5 sentences using Subordinate Clause.