Help box : Subordinating Conjunctions

Conjunctions are grammatical connectors that link words, phrases or clauses. A conjunction can indicate the relationship between the elements that it connects in the sentence.

Subordinating conjunctions are used when one idea in a sentence is dependent upon another idea. The subordinate conjunction is used to connect the dependent clause with the main clause. They can be used for:

Giving examples: **such as, for example, like, that is**, etc.
E.g. … it is not practical for managing large amounts of data, *such as* tens of terabytes or more.
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Listing / sequencing: **first, then, next, later, finally**, etc.
E.g. *To begin with*, you should take into account that printers vary in cost.

Indicating addition: **as well as, in addition, besides, moreover, furthermore**, etc.
E.g. *Furthermore*, multiple servers often back up data in the cloud, resulting in rare occurrences...

Making contrast: **however, although, though, while, whereas, nevertheless**, etc.
E.g. *However*, as with every technological advancement, it's not without its drawbacks.

Explaining cause / reason: **since, due to, as, because(of)**, etc.
E.g. *As* storage requirements grow, users can scale up their plans effortlessly, avoiding the hassles of...

Indicating purpose / aim: **in order to, so that, to**…
E.g. Cloud providers fortify their data centers with multiple redundancies *to* ensure the safety and...

Explaining effect/result: **thus, therefore, as a result**…
E.g. *Therefore*, it is not practical for managing large amounts of data
E.g. A virus entered the computer; **as a result**, many files have been destroyed.

Expressing condition: **If, unless, as long as, provided that**…
E.g. *If* your hardware breaks or fails, the cloud can be used as a backup to keep your data safe...

Fixing time: **after, since, until, when, as soon as, while**…
E.g. *While* online data storage offers unparalleled flexibility and collaboration potential, weighing its...
E.g. She will buy a new computer **as soon as** she gets paid.

As storage requirements grow, users can scale up their plans effortlessly, avoiding the hassles of buying and setting up additional hardware.