# Adverbial clauses Part 2

Advanced Grammar in Use UNITS 79, 82 & 87

## UNIT 79. Adverbial clauses of time

- Read the grammar points and do ALL the exercises in this unit. Then check the book's answer key
- Pay attention to the following issues:
- The difference between when and as/while (79A)
- Notice the constructions used with *NO SOONER, HARDLY* AND *SCARCELY*: (79C)

  Use before or when after hardly/scarcely
  - The concert had hardly/scarcely begun before/when all
    - the lights went up.

Use than or when after no sooner

- I had no sooner lit the barbecue than/when it started to rain

TENSES: Past perfect in the clause containing hardly/no sooner/scarcely Past simple in the other clause.

### Advanced grammar!

These constructions are used with **inversion** in formal style:

E.g. No sooner had I lit the barbecue than it started to rain.

>SEE UNITS 99 & 100 for more info (we'll deal with this later in the course)

# Contrast vs. Concession

#### CONTRAST:

 Using BUT, WHEREAS, etc to indicate that something contrasts with something in the main clause

#### CONCESSION:

- Using ALTHOUGH, DESPITE THE FACT THAT, etc to introduce something that may seem to conflict with what is said in the main clause.
- Example:
  - Although Sophie's father is from Spain, she doesn't speak Spanish.
- Interpretation:
  - "Sophie's father is from Spain SO" >
  - (expectation:)
  - "We would expect her to speak Spanish BUT"
  - (counter-expectation:)
  - "She doesn't speak Spanish"

### PROBLEM!

 some conjunctions (e.g. WHILE) can be used to express both contrast and concession depending on the context. See slides 14-16

## Contrasts: although and though; even though / if; 82A while, whilst and whereas

- To say that there is a **surprising contrast** between what happened in the main clause and what happened in the adverbial clause:
  - ALTHOUGH (neutral) / THOUGH Reid failed to score himself, he helped Jones to score two goals. (informal)
    - I eat most dairy products. I'm not keen on yogurt, **THOUGH.** (at the end of a clause)
  - DESPITE THE FACT THAT / IN SPITE OF THE FACT THAT Reid failed to score himself, he helped Jones to score two goals
  - DESPITE / IN SPITE OF Reid failING to score/DESPITE / IN **SPITE OF HIS FAILURE** to score ....
  - In order to practise the use of DESPITE/IN SPITE OF do exercise 82.2

# Expand the notes in brackets and rewrite the sentences using In spite of + -ing in 1–3 and In spite of his / her + noun in 4–6.

- 1 Although she has to cope with three small children, ... (taking part-time MBA course)
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  MBA course.
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- Special emphasis:
  - Adjective + though/as + noun / pronoun + linking verb
- Hot though (or as) the night air was, they slept soundly

- Although / Though the night air was hot, they slept soundly.
- In order to practise these structures, do exercise 82.1

## Join the sentence halves and give special emphasis to the adjective by moving it to the front of the sentence. Use either though or as. A

- 1 it may seem amazing
- 2 she was frightened
- 3 food became scarce
- 4 the climbers were experienced
- 5 the instructions first appeared confusing
- 6 it looked disgusting7 she felt confident
- 8 their new products have proved successful

- a they were very useful when I looked at them in detail
- b she forced herself to pick up the snake
- c they had never faced such severe conditions before
- d the company is still in financial difficulties
- e they always found enough to share with me
- f she knew the examination would not be easy
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Unit **82** B

# Contrasts: although and though; even though / if; while, whilst and whereas

BE CAREFUL WITH THIS DIFFERENCE!!

Even though Matt doesn't speak Spanish, I think he should still visit Madrid.

= Despite the fact that he doesn't speak Spanish i.e. the speaker knows that Matt doesn't speak Spanish

Even if Matt doesn't speak Spanish, I think he should still visit Madrid.

= Whether or not he speaks Spanish

i.e. the speaker doesn't know definitely whether Matt speaks Spanish or not

PRACTISE THIS DIFFERENCE BY DOING EXERCISE 82.3

## 82.3

## Underline the correct phrase.

- 1 The driver stopped to let on more passengers even though / even if the bus was already full.
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- 3 Even though / Even if I only play one match for my country, I'll be happy.
- 4 Even though / Even if he had just had lunch, Thomas bought a hamburger.
- 5 He plays for France even though / even if he was born in Algeria.
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- Contrast: WHILE (WHILST) / WHEREAS
  - To say that something contrasts with something in the main clause
  - The WHILE/WHEREAS <u>clause</u> may come at the <u>beginning</u> or at the <u>end</u> of the sentence:
    - A. Juan gets lots of homework from school
    - B. Mia gets very little [homework from school]
      - Juan gets lots of homework from school, WHILE / WHEREAS Mia gets very little
      - WHILE / WHEREAS Juan gets lots of homework from school, Mia gets very little

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- Concession: WHILE; ALTHOUGH
  - To introduce something that may seem to conflict with what is said in the main clause.
    - ➤ We **don't** use **WHEREAS** if what is said in the subordinate clause makes what is said in the main clause **unexpected**:
  - Although / While Sophie's father is from Spain, she doesn't speak Spanish. (<u>not Whereas</u>...)
    - Sophie's father is from Spain SO >

# (expectation)

We would expect her to speak Spanish BUT

# (counter-expectation)

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- Concession: WHILE:
  - WHILE (formal) (or WHILST (literary))
     before or within the main clause, but not after it:
    - WHILE / WHILST Sophie's father is from Spain, she doesn't speak Spanish
    - The diesel model of the car, WHILE / WHILST more expensive, is better value for money.
- Now do 82.4



# Rewrite these sentences with a similar meaning. Begin the sentence with Whereas if possible and While if not.

- 1 Horse riding is an expensive pastime, but more and more people are taking it up.

  While horse riding is an expensive pastime, more and more people are taking it up.

  (Whereas ... is not possible)
- 2 A decade ago only 5% of students dropped out of college, but the figure today is 25%.
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  - the temperature is below freezing SO [expectation]
  - It should feel cold BUT [counter-expectation]
  - It actually feels quite warm ...
  - 5 Whereas (/While) I've always wanted to visit Australia, I've never had any wish to go to Canada.
  - I've always wanted to visit Australia SO [expectation]
  - ?? [counter-expectation]
  - 33
  - BUT [contrast]
  - I've never had any wish to go to Canada

# Unit Connecting ideas in a sentence and between sentences

- Notice the distinction between Conjunctions
   & Sentence connectors.
- Which of the following words in bold type are conjunctions and which are sentence connectors?
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  - There was no heating in the building. **As a result**, the workers had to be sent home.
  - I stood up so that I could see better.

# Unit Connecting ideas in a sentence and between sentences

- Distinction between: Conjunctions & Sentence connectors
  - Conjunctions: words and phrases used to connect clauses within a single sentence:
    - While I was waiting, I read a magazine.
    - I stood up **so that** I could see better.
  - Sentence connectors: words and phrases used to connect one sentence with a previous sentence or sentences. Often at the beginning:
    - There was no heating in the building. **As a result**, the workers had to be sent home.

## AGiU, Unit 87 A

# **Important Notes:**

- A sentence connector must be used after a semicolon (;), colon (:), or dash (-) in order to connect two clauses in one sentence:
  - You could fly via Singapore; however, this isn't the only way
- They can be used after a comma only if the clauses are joined with and, or, but, so.
  - The building was extremely well constructed <u>and</u>, as a result, difficult to demolish.
  - \*I expect to be promoted, if not I'll leave.
  - I expect to be promoted; if not I'll leave.

## AGiU, Unit 87 B

Notice the difference between *even though* (conjunction) and *even so* (sentence connector):

- Even though it was midday, I put on the light.
- It was midday. Even so, I put on the light.

type of connection	sentence connectors	conjunctions
comparing, contrasting, and indicating that a situation (in the main clause) is unexpected	after all, all the same, alternatively, anyway, by contrast, even so, however (but see C), in any case, in contrast, instead, nevertheless, on the contrary, on the other hand	although, even though, though, whereas, while, yet
reasons and results	as a consequence, as a result, consequently, for one thing so; hence, in consequence, therefore, thus (the last four are rather formal)	as, because, for, in that, since, insofar as, so that
adding information	above all, after all, also, besides, furthermore, in addition, likewise, moreover, similarly, what's more; as well, too (the last two are not used at the beginning of a sentence)	
condition	if not, if so, otherwise	as long as, assuming (that), if, on condition that, provided (that), so long as, supposing (that), unless
time: one event at the same time as another	at that time, at the same time, meanwhile	as, when, whenever, while
time: one event before or after another	after after that, afterwards before before that, earlier, later, previously, soon, subsequently, then	after as soon as before, since, until

AGiU, Unit 87 A

After, before, so = Conjunct. AND Connect. Choose items from (i) and from (ii) to complete these texts in an appropriate way. Note the punctuation at the ends of the sentences and phrases already given. A & B

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alternatively as long as for one thing meanwhile otherwise so that while yet

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87.1

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2 A small boy was kicking a ball against a wall; ; otherwise, the street was deserted.
3 I couldn't remember meeting him before, , yet his face seemed familiar.
4 A mass evacuation of islanders is taking place.

. Meanwhile, the volcano continues to erupt.
5 A: Why don't you like that new French restaurant? For one thing, it's too expensive.
B:

6 Ingrid came down with flu While we were on holiday.
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8 One way of getting rid of weeds is to dig them out.

. Alternatively, you could poison them.

## Underline the correct option. A-G

- 1 Your essay is badly organised and full of spelling mistakes. Though / Nevertheless, it contains some very interesting ideas.
- 2 To the east the trees were left standing, while / in contrast to the west they were cut down.
- 3 I felt guilty about leaving the company even so / even though I knew it was the right decision.
- 4 The course taught me a lot about astronomy. Even though / Even so, there is still a lot to learn.
- 5 I expected my mother to be happy with the news. Instead / Although she started to cry.
- 6 Herbs are usually grown in temperate climates, whereas / on the other hand spices are mainly from tropical areas.
- 7 We were very short of money so / as a consequence we had to spend the night on a park bench.
- 8 I turned the ignition, but the car wouldn't start. As / Meanwhile the lions were getting ever closer.
- 9 She wrote the questions on the whiteboard while / at the same time the students copied them into their books.
- 10 Previously / Before I went to Australia, I'd never seen a koala.
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12 At that time

# AGiU, Unit 87 C

## Three uses of *however*

Sentence connector	Degree adverb + adjective, adverb, or much / many:	Conjunction
"Despite this"	"despite whatever a mount or degree"	"in whatever way"
You could fly via Singapore; however, this isn't the only way.	We just don't have the money to do the work, however necessary you think it is.	However she held the mirror, she couldn't see the back of her neck.

87.3	Use your own ideas to complete the sentences. Begin however + adjective / adverb / many /
	much Park

1	She is determined to be a successful artist, however difficult it might be to achieve.	
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	to lose weight without cutting down on the amount you eat.	
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- 2 However hard you might exercise, it is difficult to lose weight without cutting down on the amount you eat.
- 3 However much we enjoy being together, it is important to spend some time apart.
- 4 Professor Malcolm is always happy to spend time with his students, however busy he might be.
- 5 However many times I see the Eiffel Tower, it never fails to impress me.
- 6 Some people never seem content, however much money they have *I* however rich they are.

# APPENDIX ADDITIONAL INFO & EXERCISES

## Useful expressions and linking words/phrases

## To add more points to the same topic:

in addition (to this), furthermore, moreover, besides, apart from, what is more, as well as, not to mention (the fact) that, also, not only ... but also/as well, both ... and, There is another side to the issue/question/argument of ...

### To make contrasting points:

on the other hand,
however, still, yet,
but, nonetheless,
nevertheless, even so,

	it may be said/a	argued/claimed that,
	others/	oppose this viewpoint
	many people	(strongly) disagree,
,		claim/feel/believe this argument is
		incorrect/misguided

although, though, even though, while, whilst, whereas, despite/in spite of (the fact that), regardless of the fact that

Opponents of ... argue/believe/claim that ...

The fact that ... contradicts the belief/idea that ...

While it is true to say that ..., in fact ...

While/Although ..., it cannot be denied that ...

## Join the sentences using the words/phrases given in brackets.

- 1 Pets can prove to be good companions. They teach children a sense of responsibility. (not only)
- 2 Many people nowadays decide to open their own business. A slump in the economy has resulted in the closure of many small businesses. (even though)
- 3 Computers are time-saving devices. They can do things which people could hardly do before. (apart from)
- 4 Living in the countryside can be beneficial for your health. Some essentials are not so easily available in the country as in the city. (despite)
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  - 1. Not only can pets prove to be good companions, but they also teach children a sense of responsibility.
  - 2. Many people nowadays decide to open their own business even though a slump in the economy has resulted in the closure of many small businesses. (or: Even though a slump)
  - 3. Apart from being time-saving devices, computers can do things which people could hardly do before.
  - 4. Living in the countryside can be beneficial for your health, despite the fact that some essentials are not so easily available in the country as in the city. (or: Despite the fact that some)
  - 5. Voting gives you a voice in the decisions of the government, not to mention that it gives you a feeling of belonging to a larger community.

# Useful Language and linking words/phrases

To express cause: owing to, due to (the fact that), on account of, on the grounds that, given that, because, as, since

To express effect: therefore, thus, as a result/consequence, consequently, so, for this reason, if ... were to happen, ... the effect/ result would be ...

To express intention: to, so as to, in order to, so that, with the intention of (+ -ing) Join the sentences using the linking words in the list below.

due to, in addition to, on the grounds that, therefore, with the intention of

- 1 The government has launched a campaign to promote new businesses in rural areas. They hope to draw people away from the large urban centres.
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- 3 Freedom of expression is one of man's basic, inalienable rights. People should be allowed to publish books containing all their beliefs and ideas.
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   (or: Television ... medium, in addition to being an ...)
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- 4. Due to advertising and the mass media, consumerism is becoming more and more a part of modern societies. (or: Consumerism ... societies, due to advertising...)
- 5. Many people object to smoking on the grounds that passive smoking can be extremely harmful to one's health.