

# Clause

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## Subordinators :

who, which, that, whom, whose.

that., what, how.

when, as, because, since, till, until,

whenever, while, if, whether

unless, though. although. even though,

where, before, after, so, so that, so.. that,

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1. Pick out the main clause and the subordinate clause from the following sentences :

(1) When he had finished his work, he sat down on the highest step.

**Ans. (i) Main clause :** .....

**(ii) Subordinate clause :** .....

(2) It soon became known that he had a thousand rupees in savings.

**Ans. (i) Main clause :** .....

**(ii) Subordinate clause :** .....

(3) I don't know what's happening to Pipalnagar.

**Ans. (i) Main clause :** .....

**(ii) Subordinate clause :** .....

(4) She went in search of her husband who was sitting in front of Kamal Kishore's shop.

**Ans. (i) Main clause :** .....

**(ii) Subordinate clause :** .....

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(5) Even though his father wanted him to study medicine, he was bent on studying mathematics.

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(6) If you work hard, you will pass.

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**(ii) Subordinate clause :** .....

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**2. Underline the Subordinate clauses in the sentences and state their kind.**

(1) Enough has been said about this great warrior, who conquered the world.

**Ans. Kind of subordinate clause :** Adjective clause

(2) The male boxers kindly practised with me, whenever I required them.

**Ans.** .....

(3) I think that more people should take up sports as a full-time career.

**Ans.** .....

(4) Do you think nutrition is a neglected area in Indian sports.

**Ans.** .....

(5) Although she carried power, she wasn't very tactical.

**Ans.** .....

(6) If you go back, I can never show my face in the village.

**Ans.** .....

(7) We all thought she was a harmless dumb cow.

**Ans.** .....

(8) Bholi's elder sisters who had come for the occasion were envious of her luck.

**Ans.** .....

(9) She did not know what a school was like.

**Ans.** .....

(10) When she was sitting in my car right after her rescue, she asked me.

**Ans.** .....

(11) When a pony is young, he looks handsome.

**Ans.** .....

(12) The customer yelped with pain because of awful news he had just heard.

**Ans.** .....