

# Revision Card – Conjunctions

## Clauses

Clauses are groups of words with an **active verb** and a **subject**; they make sense.

Harry **looked** around in amazement.

They **stepped** through the archway.

The **sun** **shone** brightly on a stack of cauldrons.

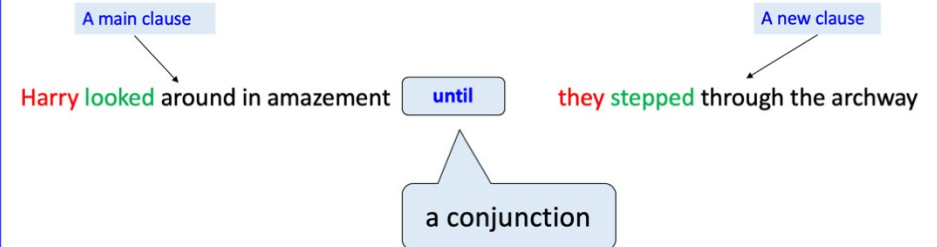
A cobbled **street** **twisted** out of sight.



The **subject** is 'the doer' of the verb; it can be a noun or pronoun.

## Conjunctions are joining words

They help **add more detail** by joining new **clauses**... explaining **when**, **why** or **where** something happened.



## Different conjunctions help us add different types of information

**When?**  
before  
after  
when  
while  
as  
until

**Why?**  
because  
as  
so

**Where?**  
where  
wherever

I am worn **until** I declare which house a student should join.

I am worn **because** I can sense where you belong.

I am worn **where** students are judged.

I am worn...



## Order of Clauses – When to use a Comma

If you add a clause **after a main clause**, you don't usually need a comma.  
If the **added clause (subordinate) is first**, separate it with a **comma**.

Harry's broomstick snapped.

Harry's broomstick snapped **as he crashed into the tree**.

**As he crashed into the tree**, Harry's broomstick snapped.

The **comma** tells you to say the first clause **differently**. Try it.

The **comma** tells your reader or listener that the main bit is coming.

## Harry Potter Clauses

Read the sentences and add an extra clause to add more detail.

Choose a conjunction to join the two clauses together.

*E.g. Draco sniggered in Crabbe's ear.... before he kicked Harry's chair over.*

Harry slammed the door shut

They were looking straight in the eyes of a monstrous dog

Neville had never been on a broomstick in his life

Harry picked the soft, shining cloth off the floor

Potions lessons were turning into a sort of weekly torture

# List of Conjunctions

## When?

**before**

**after**

**when**

**while**

**as**

**until**

## Why?

**because**

**as**

**so**

## Where?

**where**

**wherever**