

Mastering Subordinate Clauses with Pip the Bookworm

Add extra detail to your writing! Use a subordinate clause to make your sentences grow.

- A subordinate clause cannot stand alone as a complete sentence; it needs a main clause to help it make sense.
- You can spot a subordinate clause by looking for a conjunction, such as 'because', 'although', 'if', or 'while'.
- If a sentence starts with a subordinate clause, you must use a comma to separate it from the main clause.
- Example: 'Although it was raining, Pip stayed inside to read.' The subordinate clause is 'Although it was raining'.
- Remember: The main clause is the part of the sentence that makes sense on its own. The subordinate clause just adds flavour!

Did you know? Did you know? Pip the Bookworm loves subordinate clauses because they are like little extra pockets of information hidden inside a big sentence! Without them, stories would be very short and boring.

Key vocabulary: subordinate clause · main clause · conjunction · comma · extra information