

Adventure Diary: A Day with Pip the Bookworm

Learning objective: To understand and use subordinate clauses to add extra detail to sentences.

Help Pip the Bookworm record his daily adventures. Use the subordinate clauses provided in the word bank to expand your sentences. Remember: a subordinate clause adds extra information but cannot stand alone as a complete sentence. Start your subordinate clauses with conjunctions like 'although', 'because', 'while', or 'since'.

Word bank: although it was raining · while he searched for a new book · because he loves to learn · since the sun was shining · which was tucked behind the shelf · after he finished his morning snack

1. Pip went to the library today. Add a subordinate clause to describe why he went there. (2 marks)

2. Pip found a dusty, ancient book. Describe the book using a subordinate clause starting with 'which'. (2 marks)

3. Pip sat down to read. Explain how he felt using a subordinate clause starting with 'although'. (2 marks)

4. Compare and contrast: Why is it more effective to use a subordinate clause rather than just using two simple sentences? Justify your answer. (3 marks)

5. Explain why a subordinate clause must be attached to a main clause to make sense. What might happen if you left a subordinate clause on its own? (3 marks)

6. Creative Extension: Write a complex sentence about an adventure Pip might have tomorrow. Ensure your sentence contains both a main clause and a subordinate clause. (4 marks)

Extension challenge: Challenge: Can you rewrite your sentences by moving the subordinate clause to the beginning of the sentence? Remember to use a comma to separate it from the main clause!