

Adventures with Max: Subordinate Clause Diary

Learning objective: To use subordinate clauses to add extra information to sentences.

Max the monkey is exploring the jungle! Help him write his diary entry by using subordinate clauses to describe what he sees. Remember, a subordinate clause starts with a subordinating conjunction (like although, because, since, while, or until) and needs a main clause to make sense. Try to include at least one subordinate clause in every box.

Word bank: although · because · while · since · until · even though · whenever

1. The Morning Routine: Describe what Max did when he woke up. Start with a main clause and add a subordinate clause to explain why or when. (2 marks)

2. The Math Puzzle: Max found a strange pattern on a leaf. Describe what happened while he was trying to solve the puzzle. (2 marks)

3. The Jungle Canopy: Write about the view from the high branches. Include a sentence that starts with a subordinate clause (e.g., 'Although the wind was strong, ...'). (2 marks)

4. The Fruit Hunt: Max felt hungry during his walk. Use a sentence with a subordinate clause to explain what he ate. (2 marks)

5. Evening Reflections: How did Max feel at the end of the day? Use a subordinate clause to describe his mood. (2 marks)

Extension challenge: Choose one of your sentences and try moving the subordinate clause to the beginning of the sentence. Remember to add a comma if the subordinate clause comes first!