

## Subordinating Conjunctions (Place)

### What is a subordinating conjunction?

A subordinating conjunction is a word or phrase that links a **dependent clause** to an **independent clause**. This word or phrase indicates that a clause has informative value to add to the sentence's main idea, signalling a cause-and-effect relationship or a shift in time and place between the two clauses.

### Subordinating Conjunction of Place:

One of the functions of subordinating conjunctions is to show a relationship between two clauses involving a transition of place. Some examples of such subordinating conjunctions are **where**, **wherever** and **everywhere**. They mean 'at any place' or 'at every place', 'it doesn't matter where'.

#### i. **Wherever:**

Use wholegrain breakfast cereals **wherever** possible.

She was followed by press photographers **wherever** she went.

**Wherever** he went, he took his dog with him.

Garlic is a plant that grows **wherever** there is a warm climate.

#### ii. **Where:**

Be sure to get a receipt **where** you have to pay a deposit.

I've hidden the money **where** no one will find it.

Put the picture **where** I can see it.

#### iii. **Everywhere:**

**Everywhere** I looked, there was death and destruction.

People seem to recognize us **everywhere** we go.

**Everywhere** we went was full of tourists.

### Using a Comma with Subordinating Conjunctions:

When subordinating conjunctions are used *in the middle of a sentence*, they are **not** preceded by a comma. If you compare this with coordinating conjunctions, it is just the opposite of using a comma with coordinating conjunctions. It is similar to when conjunctions are used to join two independent clauses.

- *She came near me afterward **wherever** I go.*
- ***Everywhere** I go, you always seem to be nearby.*

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