

SPaGtacular Starters Commas for Subordinate Clauses

What You Need to Know

A subordinate clause is an extra piece of information within a sentence.

Subordinate clauses found at the beginning and middle of sentences are usually separated from the rest of the sentence by commas.

Subordinate clauses found at the end of the sentence are only separated by a comma if it makes the meaning clearer.



Can you identify the subordinate clause and punctuate it correctly?

1. My dog who is six years old can stand on her hind legs.

2. Although I tried to be on time I was late for the meeting.

3. I didn't eat the hot dogs because I am vegetarian.

4. Aysha didn't go to the party although Michaela did.

5. The top which fitted perfectly last summer was far too small for Shay now.



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Can you identify the subordinate clause and punctuate it correctly?

1. My dog who is six years old can stand on her hind legs.

My dog, who is six years old, can stand on her hind legs.

2. Although I tried to be on time I was late for the meeting.

Although I tried to be on time, I was late for the meeting.

3. I didn't eat the hot dogs because I am vegetarian.

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4. Aysha didn't go to the party although Michaela did.

Aysha didn't go to the party, although Michaela did.

5. The top which fitted perfectly last summer was far too small for Shay now.

The top, which fitted perfectly last summer, was far too small for Shay now.

