



Two types of clause

Task A: Main clauses and subordinate clauses

For each sentence, label each part of the sentence as a **subordinate clause** (SC) or a **main clause** (MC).

If the **main clause** has two parts, write MC over both.

- a) **When I have the opportunity**, I will travel abroad.
- b) The dictionary, **which was 1,000 pages long**, was very heavy.
- c) **While she listened carefully**, she tapped her foot to the rhythm.
- d) The smell, **which was very familiar**, wafted towards him.
- e) I'll try not to embarrass you **when I come over**.
- f) **As the bruise slowly healed**, it turned purple.

Task B: Types of subordinate clause

The **subordinate clause** in each sentence is **highlighted**.

- Label the **subordinate clause** as a **relative clause** (RC) or an **adverbial clause** (AC).
 - Label the **main clause** (MC). If it is in two parts, label both.
- a) Alex's brother, **who was very mischievous**, knocked over his model.
 - b) **Because I was desperate to pass the test**, I studied hard for weeks.
 - c) Izzy wore a sling **when she strained her shoulder**.
 - d) The school, **which was attached to a nursery**, was in the city centre.
 - e) **As the temperature rose**, Mr McIntyre turned on the fan.