



**Lesson B1-13 | Low Intermediate | CEFR B1**

**Subordinating Conjunctions - Reason**

Use the words in the Grammar Challenge to complete the gaps.

**Conversation 1**

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**Woman:** I left early \_\_\_\_\_ I was sick.  
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**Man:** Oh, you did?  
**Woman:** Yes, I can show you my work.

**Conversation 2**

**Man:** I love the spring \_\_\_\_\_ the weather's so cool.  
**Woman:** I do too, \_\_\_\_\_ I don't like rainy weather, and it always rains a lot.  
**Man:** Yeah, \_\_\_\_\_ I sometimes get allergies.  
**Woman:** Me too, \_\_\_\_\_ it hasn't been bad this year.  
**Man:** Yeah, not so much. I think it's because of El Nino.  
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**Conversation 3**

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**Woman:** When does it close?  
**Man:** It closes at ten \_\_\_\_\_ Sunday.  
**Woman:** Let's go then \_\_\_\_\_ it's already 5:30.  
**Man:** Sounds good. Should I drive?  
**Woman:** No, I will \_\_\_\_\_ drive slow.

**Conversation 4**

**Man:** Can I use your iPad?  
**Woman:** Yeah, sure. It's over there.  
**Man:** Can I use it to record a short video?  
**Woman:** Sure, what are you \_\_\_\_\_ ?  
**Man:** Well, \_\_\_\_\_ I'm a terrible cook, I'm making a \_\_\_\_\_ video for my son.  
**Woman:** Fun! \_\_\_\_\_ you're doing that, can I be in it too?  
**Man:** Sure, as you wish.

**Quiz**

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 b) her work was done
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 a) rain  
 b) spring
- 3) It closes early because it is \_\_\_\_\_.  
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 b) Sunday
- 4) She asks him to \_\_\_\_\_.  
 a) be careful with the iPad  
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**Grammar Challenge**

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**Speaking Challenge**

Match the answers with the questions.

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- 4) What time should we leave for the airport?
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