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題目：Adverbial Clause (副詞子句)

英文作文的時候，除了用單詞或短語來形容動詞、形容詞或副詞之外，還可以用上從句，這類從句稱為 **adverbial clause** (副詞子句)，適當運用，更可以形容時間、地方，交代因由、用作比較等，一齊看看以下例子吧。

首先，**adverbial clause** 的功用是修飾動詞(Verb) e.g. He ran quickly.

同時，亦可修飾形容詞 (adjective)

e.g. He is extremely old.

又可以修飾副詞 (adverb)

e.g. He played exceptionally well.

另外，也可修飾子句 (phrase)

e.g. The fish is almost out of water.

也可修飾句子 (sentence)

e.g. Naturally, I had to agree with him.

Time (時間)

Adverbial clause 都可以用來形容時間，我們可以用 **when, after, as, as soon as, before, by the time** 等字。

e.g. Anna started to play the piano when she was 5.

如果用來指未來，或者將會發生的事情，我們不會用 **will**，而會用 **present tense** 或 **present perfect tense** 表達。

e.g. As soon as I hear any news, I'll let you know.

Place (地方)

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用來形容地方 (place) , 我們可以用 where, wherever, anywhere, everywhere

e.g. You can sit wherever you like.

Everywhere David goes, people ask him for his autograph.

Manner (態度)

As 用在主句 (main clause) 的後面。

e.g. I took the train, as you recommended.

As if 同 as though 會用於 act、appear、behave、feel 這些動詞之後。

e.g. He acted as if he had seen a ghost.

Reason (原因, 即交代事件的因由)

可以用 as, because, since, seeing (that) 等。

e.g. Because I'm late, I won't be able to meet you after all.

有些時候會用 "for" , 會用在 main clause 之後, 通常都是一些很正式的用法

e.g. They said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

Contrast (用來作對比/相比較)

會用 Although, though, even though, considering (that) 等等。

e.g. Even though Tim goes to fitness classes, he is a very poor runner.

有時會將 No matter 加 question word 使用

e.g. No matter where you live, the weather will have the same effect on you.

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Purpose (目的)

用 in case 的時候，我們會交代將可能發生的事。

e.g. We turned down the music in case it disturbed the neighbors.

Result (結果)

我們會用 so + adj/adv + that 或者 such a + adj + noun + that 的形式。

e.g. He is so tall that he can easily touch the ceiling.

e.g. He is so tall! He's such a tall guy!

其實 Adverbial Clause 副詞子句一點都不難用，只要同學能夠抽時間多看多寫，就一定可以好好掌握正確的用法，對英文寫作有很大幫助。