

Adverbial Clauses: Before, After, When , As soon As with the Present Tense

FORM: These words can be used at the beginning or in the middle of the sentence and when used with Simple Present tense, introduce two habits that happen together.

USE: “**Before**” introduces an action which follows another. “**After**” introduces an action which precedes another. “**When**” is the same as “after”, but it can also be used to introduce an action or situation which happens as a habit with another habit. “**As soon as**” introduces an action or situation which is immediately followed by another one.

EXAMPLES: *I wash my hands before I eat. Before I eat, I wash my hands.*
I brush my teeth after / when I finish a meal. After / When I finish a meal, I brush my teeth.
I take a shower when I get up. When I get up, I take a shower.
We have dinner as soon as he comes home from work. As soon as he comes home from work, we have dinner.

Complete the following sentences.

1. He has a shower after _____
2. She eats supper as soon as _____
3. They brush their teeth before _____
4. He eats popcorn when _____
5. She drives to work when _____
6. Tom reads the paper after _____
7. They shave before _____
8. She studies a lot before _____
9. They wash the dishes after _____
10. We go to the beach when _____
11. He makes his bed as soon as _____
12. Mary goes to the doctor when _____