

# Unit 5: Survival

## Complex Sentences

**A** Read the sentences. What is the relationship between the two clauses in each one.

1. If we had a first aid kit, we would be able to treat your cut.
2. They're not going rock climbing because they don't have the right equipment.
3. Although the test was difficult, most of the students got a high score.

**B** Complete each sentence with an appropriate connecting word or phrase.

Contrast	Condition	Cause and effect
although		because
even though	if	since
despite the fact that		due to the fact that

1. I'll help you study tonight \_\_\_\_\_ you help me set up my website tomorrow.
2. \_\_\_\_\_ their ecosystem was protected, the fish began to repopulate the area.
3. Simon couldn't attend the meeting \_\_\_\_\_ he was ill.
4. \_\_\_\_\_ we had a blanket, we got very cold in the tent.
5. \_\_\_\_\_ you see Pierre, please tell him the party starts at eight o'clock.
6. I got a low score on the test \_\_\_\_\_ I studied very hard.

### Writing Tips

1. If a connecting word or phrase begins a complex sentence, a comma separates the clauses.
2. No comma is needed if the connecting word or phrase is between the two clauses.
3. The two sentences above are examples of these rules!

**C** Look at the example. Then write two complex sentences on each topic in your notebook.

**Example:** Topic: the weather

*Due to the fact that it's cold outside, I would rather take a taxi than walk.*

*I would rather take a taxi than walk due to the fact that it's cold outside.*

1. Topic: the environment
2. Topic: emergency situations
3. Topic: leisure time
4. Topic: clothing
5. Topic: the economy
6. Topic: celebrities