THE ADVERB CLAUSE

Recognize an adverb clause when you find one.

An adverb clause will meet these three requirements:

- First, it will contain a subject and a verb.
- You will also find a subordinate conjunction that keeps the clause from expressing a complete thought.
- Finally, the clause will answer one of these four **adverb** questions: *How? When? Where?* or *Why?*

Read these examples:

Brittany can pass Professor Gregory's microbiology class **if she studies seven hours a day**.

How can Brittany pass microbiology? *If she studies seven hours a day*, an adverb clause.

Josephine's three cats bolted from the driveway once they heard her car racing around the corner.

When did the cats bolt? **Once they heard her car racing around the corner**, an adverb clause.

When Nick and Victoria go camping, their hotel room is **wherever they pitch their tent!**

Where is Nick and Victoria's hotel room? Wherever they pitch their tent, an adverb clause.

After her appointment at the orthodontist, Danielle cooked eggs for dinner because she could easily chew an omelet.

Why did Danielle cook eggs? **Because she could easily chew an omelet**, an adverb clause.

