



**Lesson B1-12 | Low Intermediate | CEFR B1**

**Subordinating Conjunctions - Time**

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

**Conversation 1**

**Man:** What do you usually do after you finish work?  
**Woman:** I usually go to the gym, and then \_\_\_\_\_ I work out, I go shopping.  
**Man:** You must get home pretty late. When do you eat dinner?  
**Woman:** I usually eat as \_\_\_\_\_ I get home, which is about 9.  
**Man:** Wow, I could never eat dinner that late.  
**Woman:** When do you usually eat dinner?  
**Man:** I usually eat about 6, \_\_\_\_\_ after I get home.  
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**Man:** No, my wife works from home, so she usually has dinner ready \_\_\_\_\_ I get back.  
**Woman:** Sounds like a nice set-up.

**Conversation 2**

**Man:** So, how do you register for this app on the website?  
**Woman:** Well, first you put in your email address.  
**Man:** OK, that seems pretty easy.  
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**Man:** OK. Then what do I do?  
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**Woman:** It's very easy. I'm sure you will have no problems.  
**Man:** Thanks.

**Conversation 3**

**Quiz**

- 1) When does the woman eat dinner?
  - a) Before she gets home
  - b) As soon as she gets home
- 2) When should he click the link?
  - a) After he gets the email
  - b) Before he gets the email
- 3) When did it start to rain?
  - a) After they left
  - b) As soon as they got there
- 4) Who wants to retire first?
  - a) The man
  - b) The woman

**Grammar Challenge**

Use the words below to complete each conversation.

Con #1	Con #2	Con #3	Con #4
soon as	this as	soon as	before they
by the time	before	when	do after
after	as soon	right before	when I'm
right	After	by the time	while

**Speaking Challenge**

Match the answers with the questions.

- 1) What do you usually do after you finish work?
- 2) What do you do as soon as you get up?
- 3) When do you want to retire?
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- [ \_ ] I try to go to sleep as soon as I can.  
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**Woman:** Yeah, hopefully we will have nicer weather \_\_\_\_\_ we go next time.

#### **Conversation 4**

**Man:** When do you want to retire?

**Woman:** I want to retire \_\_\_\_\_ about 50.

**Man:** Wow, that's pretty early. Why so young?

**Woman:** I want to travel the world \_\_\_\_\_ I'm still relatively young. What about you?

**Man:** I doubt I'll retire before I'm 70. I love working.

**Woman:** Oh yeah? What do you want to \_\_\_\_\_ you retire?

**Man:** Well, assuming I have grandkids, I want to spend as much time with them \_\_\_\_\_ grow up.

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