

What are Consecutive Clauses?

Worksheet

Consecutive clauses are subordinate clauses that introduce the result or consequence of a cause. They use French conjunctions (si bien que, au point que, tellement que) to link cause and consequence.

Questions

1. Elle est ____ intelligente ____ elle a réussi tous les examens. What fills the blanks?

- A) tellement, que
- B) si, que
- C) au point, que
- D) si bien, que

2. Il a ____ mangé ____ il s'est endormi. What structure is correct?

- A) si, que
- B) tellement, que
- C) au point, que
- D) comme, que

3. C'était bruyant au point que... What follows logically?

- A) I could listen easily
- B) It was very quiet
- C) I couldn't sleep
- D) Sound improved

4. Si bien que introduces...

- A) A cause that is already known
- B) A consequence or result
- C) A time reference
- D) An alternative

5. Elle est si intelligente qu'elle a réussi tous les examens. (She is so intelligent that she passed all her exams.)

6. Il a tellement travaillé qu'il s'est effondré. (He worked so much that he collapsed.)

7. C'était si bruyant que je n'ai pas pu dormir. (It was so noisy that I couldn't sleep.)

8. Define: What is a consecutive clause?

9. Define: When do you use si... que?

10. Define: What is the difference between si... que and tellement... que?

Answer Key

1. B) si, que — Si... que is used with adjectives like intelligente.
2. B) tellement, que — Tellement... que is used with verbs to express 'so much that.'
3. C) I couldn't sleep — Au point que introduces the consequence: the noise was so extreme it prevented sleep.
4. B) A consequence or result — Si bien que = 'with the result that' — it expresses consequence.
5. Consecutive structure: si + adjective (intelligente) + que Intensity: emphasizes the high degree
Consequence: passed all exams
6. Consecutive structure: tellement + verb + que Intensity: extreme amount of work
Consequence: physical collapse
7. Consecutive structure: si + adjective (bruyant) + que Intensity: unbearable noise level
Consequence: inability to sleep
8. A dependent clause that expresses the result or consequence of an action, using conjunctions like si... que, tellement... que, au point que.
9. Use si... que with adjectives or adverbs to express 'so... that.' Example: Il est si grand que...
10. Si... que is for adjectives/adverbs. Tellement... que is for verbs and quantities.

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