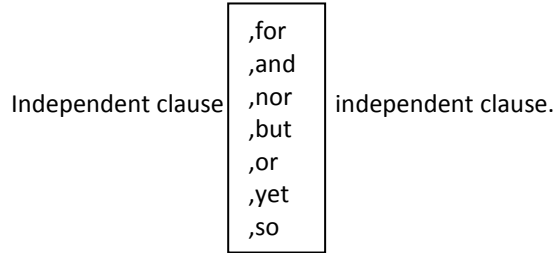


COORDINATION

- You can join two independent clauses (sentences) together by placing a comma and a coordinating conjunction between them.



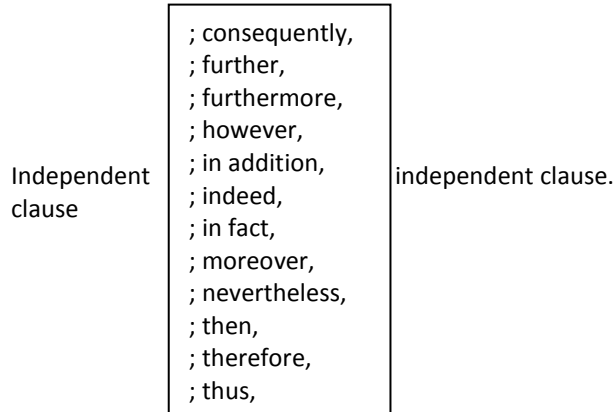
I love flowers, but I am allergic to pollen.

- You can join two related independent clauses (sentences) together by placing a semicolon between them.



I love flowers; I am allergic to pollen.

- You can join two independent clauses (sentences) together with a conjunctive adverb. When using this method, you must use a semicolon before the conjunctive adverb and a comma after it.

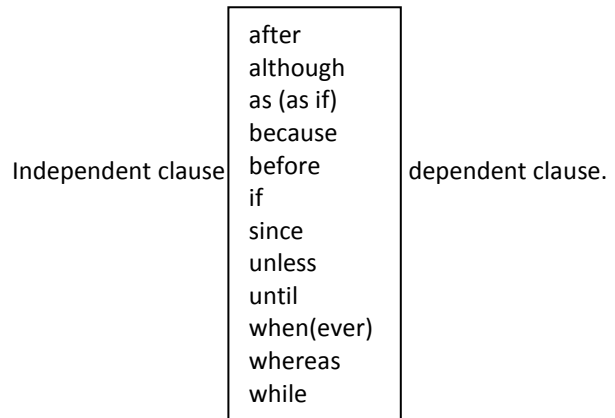


I love flowers; however, I am allergic to pollen.

SUBORDINATION

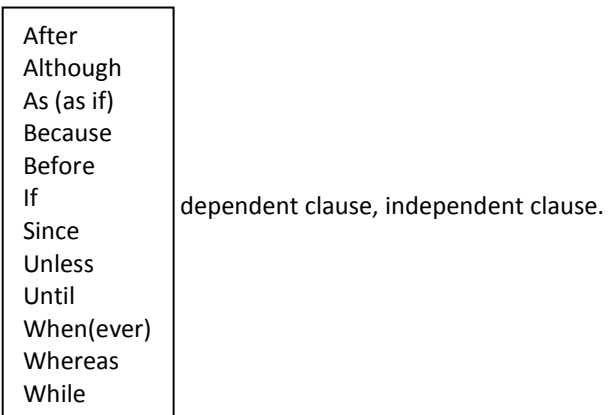
A subordinate or dependent clause (fragment) may be joined to an independent clause (sentence) with a subordinating conjunction.

- When the dependent clause (fragment) follows the independent clause, it requires no comma.



I love flowers although I am allergic to pollen.

- When the dependent clause (fragment) begins the sentence, it is followed by a comma.



Although I love flowers, I am allergic to pollen.

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