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Label each of the clauses in the sentence below as either **main (M)** or **subordinate (S)**.

When the bell rang, we dashed into the playground and

we started a game of football.

1 mark

2

For each sentence, put a tick to show whether the main clause or subordinate clause is underlined.

Sentence	Main clause	Subordinate clause
<u>I have violin lessons</u> , although I have not been playing for very long.		
<u>If you want to improve</u> , you must practise a lot.		
I practise every weekend, <u>even when it's in the school holidays</u> .		

1 mark

3

Tick one box in each row to show whether the underlined clause is a **main clause** or a **subordinate clause**.

Sentence	Main clause	Subordinate clause
The school, <u>which has three playing fields</u> , opened in 1967.		
Although I had cycled to school, <u>I still had the energy for my lessons</u> .		
<u>We will be proud</u> if we try our best.		

1 mark

4

Underline the **subordinate clause** in the sentence below.

Hassan and I are going to our dance class; we are going to be late as we missed the bus.

1 mark

5

Which underlined group of words is a **subordinate clause**?

Tick **one**.

If you want to, you can walk with us.

☐

This is the best fishing spot we have found.

☐

We change places when the bell rings.

☐

We planted the parsley next to the mint.

☐

1 mark

6

Circle the most suitable **conjunction** to complete the sentence below.

Amrit still managed to smile _____ he was feeling very tired.

although

because

before

and

1 mark

Mark schemes

1

Award 1 mark for all three correct.

When the bell rang, we dashed into the playground and

S

M

we started a game of football.

M

1 mark

2

Award 1 mark for all three correct.

Sentence	Main clause	Subordinate clause
<u>I have violin lessons</u> , although I have not been playing for very long.	✓	
<u>If you want to improve</u> , you must practise a lot.		✓
I practise every weekend, <u>even when</u> it's in the school holidays.		✓

1 mark

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Award 1 mark for a correctly completed table.

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Although I had cycled to school, <u>I still had the energy for my lessons</u> .	✓	
<u>We will be proud</u> if we try our best.	✓	

1 mark


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Award 1 mark for

Hassan and I are going to our dance class; we are going to be late as we missed the bus.

1 mark

5

We change places when the bell rings. 

1 mark

6

Award 1 mark for the most suitable conjunction encircled.

although

because

before

and

1 mark