ADVERB CLAUSES

An adverb clause is a dependent clause used as an adverb. It modifies a verb, an adjective, or an adverb. An adverb clause might tell where, when, how, why, to what extent, or under what conditions. Adverb clauses are introduced by subordinating conjunctions such as if, because, before, than, as, even though, than, so that, while, where, when, as if, and since.

Ex: They checked their gear before they started the climb. (modifies verb-checked)
    They were cautious because ice made the trails slippery. (modifies adj-cautious)
    Chanse’s mom worries about the weather more than he does. (modifies adv-more)

I. PRACTICE: Underline the adverb clause in each sentence, and circle the word it modifies.

1. Jody checked his gym bag before he left for practice.
2. Parker was late for dinner because he got his four wheeler stuck in the mud.
3. When Triston knows there will be a basketball game on television, he finishes his homework early.
4. Michael looks as if he is tired today.
5. As the Bears improved their basketball skills, they began to win games.
6. As soon as Justin finishes his AR book, he will take a test.
7. After Emily plays a softball game, she will go out to eat.
8. Adam should have a good progress report grade, even though he did not do well on the last test.
9. If Kayla’s grades are good, she will earn her allowance.
10. El will need to warm up her voice before she competes in the U.I.L. choir contest.
11. Austin will pack his hunting gear so that he’s prepared for the trip.
12. While Reagan is editing her original myth, she can correct grammar mistakes.