Subordinating Conjunctions Worksheet
In the Desert...

Reading Level 2

Directions: Read each sentence. Determine which one of your answer choices is used as a subordinating conjunction. Circle your response.

1. Claude could squeeze water from a cactus if he were thirsty enough.
   a) if  
   b) he  
   c) from  
   d) a

2. Royce peeled a blood orange and ate the juicy filling while he waited for Jean.
   a) he  
   b) for  
   c) and  
   d) while

3. Amari ran into a cavern when the sandstorm started.
   a) the  
   b) into  
   c) when  
   d) ran

4. Jean wore a yellow trench coat even though it was well over one hundred degrees in the desert.
   a) though it  
   b) even though  
   c) it was  
   d) was well

5. Hector decided to leave in the middle of the night since the sun was so deadly during the day.
   a) in the  
   b) of  
   c) since  
   d) was so

6. When the desert wind blew, it whipped searing grains of sand into Ruby's eyes and face.
   a) When  
   b) it  
   c) into  
   d) and

7. Claude likes to ride his camel in the desert because, unlike a car or truck, his camel never runs out of gas.
   a) in  
   b) his  
   c) unlike  
   d) because
8. Royce has played the pan flute since he was a young boy and now he can make beautiful music with it.
   a) and
   b) since
   c) with
   d) was

9. Amari and her brother waited in the cavern until the sandstorm ended.
   a) in
   b) until
   c) in the
   d) her

10. Jean wants to know how those wicked sand critters snuck into our secret fort.
    a) those
    b) know
    c) how
    d) into

11. Hector wasn't afraid of sand critters unless they were well armed.
    a) of
    b) wasn't
    c) they
    d) unless

12. After Ruby had awoken the sleeping sand critters, she ran out of the cavern.
    a) After
    b) had
    c) out
    d) she

13. The desert sun beat down on Claude as he dispatched a monstrous sand critter with his speargun.
    a) The
    b) on
    c) as
    d) he

14. Royce rode his camel to the top of the sand dune so that he could watch for sand critters.
    a) of the
    b) to the top
    c) he could
    d) so that

15. Amari sang a gentle lullaby to her brother whenever he was upset.
    a) to
    b) brother
    c) whenever
    d) a

16. Jean backflipped off a wall while shooting his speargun at the sand critters.
    a) up
    b) while
    c) his
    d) wall
17. Hector used a knife to stop the sand critters whereas Jean preferred his speargun.
a) whereas  b) the  
c) stop  d) his

18. Grains of sand pelted Ruby's exposed skin and she laughed because she was alive.
a) and  b) was  
c) because  d) of

19. Although it was very hot outside, Claude still put stainless steel armor on his camel.
a) Although  b) put  
c) outside  d) on

20. Royce knew that the sand critters were gathering outside of the village but he didn't mind.
a) were  b) but  
c) didn't  d) that

21. Amari was learning to fight with a spear when she could find the time to practice.
a) with  b) when  
c) to  d) could

22. Jean was going to head for the mountains as soon as he found enough water for the journey.
a) as he found  b) was going to  
c) as soon as  d) enough

23. As the golden sun set over the dunes, the sand critters began their hunt for food.
a) As  b) their  
c) over  d) over the

24. Four deadly sand critters crept into the barn just as the guards changed shifts.
a) Four  b) into the  
c) into  d) just as

25. The stars lit the night sky afire once the sun sank below the horizon.
a) The  b) below  
c) afire  d) once
26. Hector wouldn't be able to get there in time to save Amari unless he found gas for his cruiser.
   a) in  
   b) unless  
   c) there  
   d) for

27. Claude vowed to protect Ruby and he would do so whether she wanted his protection or not.
   a) his  
   b) or  
   c) whether  
   d) and

28. Amari knew that she had to eat or she wouldn't have the strength to protect her little brother.
   a) have  
   b) wouldn't  
   c) that  
   d) or

29. Ruby cowered from the sand critters but Claude just laughed because they couldn't get into his cruiser.
   a) because  
   b) just  
   c) but  
   d) get into

30. Royce warmed his tea in the blazing sun and read a book even though the sand critters were clawing at the gate.
   a) his  
   b) and  
   c) at the  
   d) even though