

Cum clauses:

- With indicatives: when or while – stating time
- With subjunctives: when, since, although, while
 - general circumstances
 - causes of action

cum dolēret, tamen omnēs laborēs complēvit.

1. With sorrow, he still completed all his labors.
2. Although he was in pain, he still completed all his labors.
3. Because he was sorrowing, he completed all his difficult labors.
4. While he was in pain, he did not complete his labors.

cum tacuissent, ab hostibus nocte fūgērunt.

1. While they were silent, they fled from the enemy at night.
2. Because they were silent, they fled from the enemy at night.
3. With silence, they fled from the enemy at night.
4. Although they were silent, they fled from the enemy at night.
5. If they were silent, they fled from the enemy at night.

cum vesper advēnit, stellae per caelum movērunt.

1. While evening is arriving, the stars move through the skies.
2. Although evening had arrived, the stars moved through the skies.
3. With evening arriving, the stars will move through the skies.
4. When evening arrived, the stars moved through the skies.

cum puerī ad casam meam advēnerint, eōs terrēbō.

1. Although the children came to my house,
2. When the children come to my house, I will terrify them.
3. If the children come to my house, I terrify them.
4. While the children are coming to my house, I will terrify them.

cum larvae per noctem volābunt, tum vivī mortuī per viās ambulābunt.

1. Although the ghosts were flying through the night, the living dead still walked through the streets.
2. While the ghosts were flying through the night, the living dead were walking through the streets.
3. Not only were the ghosts flying through the night, the living dead were also walking through the streets.
4. Not only will the ghosts fly through the night, the living dead will also walk through the streets.

cum omnia comprehenderēmus, fātum fortiter vidērēmus.

1. When we understood everything, we bravely saw our fate.
2. Because we understood everything, we bravely looked at our fate.
3. Not only did we understand everything, we also bravely looked upon our fate.

cum tanta bibissēmus, in terrā ebrīi iacērēmus.

1. While we had drunk so much, we were lying on the ground drunk.
2. When we drank so much, we lay down on the ground drunk.
3. Because we had drunk so much, we were lying on the ground inebriated.