

Dependent clauses can frequently be spotted because many of them on the ACT[®] begin with what is called a subordinate conjunction. Here is a list of the most common ones you will see on the ACT[®]:

after
although
as (as if)
because
before
even though/even
if
if

now that
once
rather than
since
so that
than
that
unless

until
when
whenever
where
where as
where ever
while

Below is a list of the most common prepositions you will see on the test:

about
across
after
against
along
among
at
before
behind
below
beneath
beside

between
beyond
by
during
except
for
from
in
inside
into
like
near

of
off
onto
over
since
through
to
toward
under
with

Note: The italicized words are the words that show up the most often.