## "AAAWWUUBBIS" Sentences (Complex Sentences with "Subordinate Clauses")

## They're SOOO easy!

- Begin with one of the "AAAWWUUBBIS" words (otherwise known as a "subordinating conjunction")
- Follow the "AAAWWUUBBIS" clause with a comma

## **Examples:**

After I went into the haunted house, I wished I were home.

As the door opened, the hairs on my neck stood on end.

Although I was scared, I stood my ground.

While I waited, I began to back up slowly.

Whenever I am scared, my knees tremble.

*Until* my friends finally found me, I prepared for the worst.

"Unless you want me to scream, let's get out of here!"

**Because** my knees were shaking, I fell down the stairs.

**Before** we made it to the car, we heard a deep voice.

"<u>If you come back</u>, you will regret it," the voice said.

<u>Since</u> we were so spooked, we decided to never return.

• You can also "flip" the clause to the end of the sentence (but no comma is needed then).

## Examples:

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The hairs on my neck stood on end as the door opened.

I stood my ground although I was scared.

• The point is to mix and match these clauses to make your sentences more interesting!!