



Unless you're the lead dog, the view is a bit limited.



More Practice  
Writing Complex Sentences About

## The Call of the Wild

Take a minute to review the definitions relating to **Dependent** and **Independent clauses**. Think about what makes the two of them different. Then examine the cartoon beneath the list of Subordinating Conjunctions. Can you identify the clauses in Grimmy's observation?

Use the list of Subordinating Conjunctions and your knowledge of the first two chapters of The Call of the Wild to complete the sentences below. Make sure that your additions follow the rules for the construction of clauses and complex sentences including proper punctuation.

1. When Buck was stolen from his civilized home \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

2. Wherever the axe struck the crate on the outside \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_

Buck decided that Francois was a very fair man.

4. \_\_\_\_\_

Buck hated him with a bitter and deathless hatred.

5. Buck discovered that Joe's strategy for avoiding conflicts really worked \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

6. Until Buck changed his eating habits \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

7. Rather than attempt to force this environment to live by his rules \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

8. Where there was a scum of thin ice covering the water hole \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_



9. \_\_\_\_\_
- Buck learned that it was smarter to mend his ways.
10. Buck was placed between Sol-lex and Dave \_\_\_\_\_
11. Even though the other dogs were fed less than Buck \_\_\_\_\_
12. \_\_\_\_\_ Buck worked, watched, and learned, he began to adapt to his new environment even if he wasn't consciously aware of those adaptations.
13. As time went by, Buck began to come into his own again, \_\_\_\_\_ men had found a yellow metal in the north and Manuel's wages did not lap over the needs his wife and children.



Here is a map of the journey being made by Buck and his team. Can you pinpoint the places where they have already traveled?

Mark their destination, the beginning of their sled journey, and their current location.

Can you tell how long they have been on the trail by the end of Chapter 2?