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Time Words: before, after, until, as soon as

A time word joins two actions and shows which one happens first

Time word	Meaning	Example
before	earlier than	I wash my hands **before** I eat.
after	later than	I brush my teeth **after** I eat.
until	up to that time, then stop	Wait here **until** I come back.
as soon as	immediately, no waiting	I called Mum **as soon as** I got home.

Time word **first**: put a comma after its part. **Before** I eat, I wash my hands.

PART A Fill in

Fill in each blank with a word from the box. Use each word once.

before **after** **until** **as soon as**

1. Ben put on his shoes _____ he went out.
2. We waited at the bus stop _____ the bus came.
3. Amy ran to the door _____ she heard the bell.
4. _____ we finished dinner, we washed the dishes.

PART B Choose

Tick (✓) the correct word.

1. We stayed inside (☐ until ☐ after) the rain stopped. We went out the moment it stopped.
2. Put on sun cream (☐ before ☐ after) you go to the beach, so it is already on when you arrive.

PART C Join

Join the two sentences. Start with the word in brackets. Add a comma.

1. I finished my homework. I watched TV. (After)

_____

2. Emma arrived at school. She went to the library. (As soon as)

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Answers **A** 1 before · 2 until · 3 as soon as · 4 After **B** 1 until · 2 before **C** 1 After I finished my homework, I watched TV. · 2 As soon as Emma arrived at school, she went to the library.

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