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Mason waited at school, until Dad came to pick him.

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Charles will be punished, if he is found guilty.

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Dogs wag their tails, whenever they see their masters.

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Melina prefers coffee to tea, when she travels abroad.

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I always wash my hands, before I eat food.

7) Sean was driving. (when)

Sean was driving, when I called him.

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The kitten was crying all night, because it was raining.