

Practice with Subordinators

Instructions: Read through the following groups of sentences; then use subordinators to logically join each group into one sentence.

1. Tight end Eric Johnson, the teams' surprise leader in receptions, was doing push-ups Wednesday.

He felt a twinge in his side, followed by spasms.

2. The episode prompted an MRI on his sore ribs.

Johnson had to cut short practice.

He expects to play this weekend against Arizona.

3. It [the number of receptions] is a number few expected Johnson to approach, even with the departure of Terrell Owens and the 49ers' lack of a dominant receiver.

Injuries to starters Cedrick Wilson and Brandon Lloyd have thinned the receiving corps, leaving Johnson to pick apart opposing linebackers.

4. Johnson missed all of last season with a broken collarbone.

This is the first time he has seen the benefits of the training.

5. He tries to blend the stretches into his pre-game warm-ups.

Johnson still catches some flak from his teammates, who say "you can tell it's yoga stuff."