Sentence transformation

Rewrite the sentences using the given cues. Two examples are provided to get you started. Note that you can change the words if it is necessary.

They went out in spite of the rain. (Rewrite with though.)

Though it was raining, they went out.

There was not a whisper during the service. (Rewrite with while)

There was not a whisper while the service was in progress.

- 1. We were late. Consequently, we missed the train. (Rewrite with as or since)
- 2. Though I had a headache I enjoyed the movie. (Rewrite with in spite of)
- 3. The meeting had to be postponed due to the chairman's illness. (Rewrite with because)
- 4. If we don't hurry up, we will miss our flight. (Rewrite with otherwise)
- 5. After John arrived, we began our meeting. (Rewrite with upon)
- 6. It was cold but we went swimming. (Rewrite with although)

Answers

- 1. As we were late we missed the train. / Since we were late, we missed the train.
- 2. In spite of having a headache I enjoyed the movie.
- 3. The meeting had to be postponed because the chairman was ill.
- 4. We must hurry up. Otherwise, we will miss the flight.
- 5. Upon John's arrival, we began our meeting.

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6. Although it was cold, we went swimming.

Notes

A preposition is followed by a noun or an -ing form. It cannot be followed by a to-infinitive or a clause.

A conjunction, on the other hand, is followed by a clause.

When a subordinate clause (a clause introduced by a subordinating conjunction) goes at the beginning of a sentence, we usually use a comma to separate it from the rest of the sentence.