Spot the subordinate clauses: Worksheet

Spot the different types of subordinate clause in this text. Highlight each type in a different colour. Don’t forget to complete your key!

Having finished her dinner, Jessica went upstairs to her room. It had been a long day and she was quite relieved when her mum suggested she get an early night. Suddenly, there was a knock at her bedroom door.

‘Do you mind if I come in?’ a muffled voice called through the door.

Jessica, unsure whom to expect, tentatively opened the door. Standing in front of her was her friend Nyla.

‘Nyla! What are you doing here?’
‘I wanted to check you were OK, after what happened.’
‘I’m OK or, at least, I will be. It’s only a stupid part in a play after all.’
‘For what it’s worth, I think you should have got the part.’
‘Thanks, Nyla.’

Before they had a chance to say anything else, Jessica’s younger brother burst out of his room.

Key
Relative clauses:
Adverbial clauses:
Participle clauses:
Comment clauses:
Subordinate interrogative clauses: