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Conjunctions

A **conjunction** is a word that connects words or groups of words to each other. Here are some common conjunctions:

and

or

but

so

These words are called **coordinating conjunctions** because they connect equal parts of a sentence.

When you want to join words or phrases together, use the conjunction **and**.

Lisa **and** Miguel are coming with us.

She went to the store **and** bought some new shoes.

I did my homework, **and** I cleaned my room.

When a sentence has two things that are in conflict or that are opposites, use the conjunction **but**.

We have a lot in common, **but** we do not like the same kind of music.

I looked everywhere, **but** I could not find my pink sweater.

When one thing is a result of another, use the conjunction **so**.

Uncle Kevin is coming to visit, **so** I have to get home early.

Andrew lives across the street, **so** we go to the same school.

When there is a choice between two or more options, use the conjunction **or**.

We can go to the movies **or** to the mall.

Mrs. Smith **or** Mrs. Jones will go with the class.

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Conjunctions Exercises

Choose the coordinating conjunction that best completes each sentence.

1. Mary _____ Joanne are my sisters.
 - a. and
 - b. or
 - c. but
 - d. so

2. I will study every night _____ I can pass the test.
 - a. and
 - b. or
 - c. but
 - d. so

3. The forecast is for rain, _____ we will go to the game anyway.
 - a. and
 - b. or
 - c. but
 - d. so

4. We can drive into the city, _____ we can take the bus.
 - a. and
 - b. or
 - c. but
 - d. so

5. He did not have enough money for a soda and chips, _____ he just bought a soda.
 - a. and
 - b. or
 - c. but
 - d. so

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Conjunctions Exercises (cont'd)

6. I wanted to call you last night, _____ my brother was on the phone.
- a. and
 - b. or
 - c. but
 - d. so
7. Tim _____ Matt went to a basketball game with grandpa.
- a. and
 - b. or
 - c. but
 - d. so
8. I can pick you up after school, _____ you can walk home.
- a. and
 - b. or
 - c. but
 - d. so
9. There was no food in the refrigerator, _____ we ordered pizza.
- a. and
 - b. or
 - c. but
 - d. so
10. I didn't do all my chores, _____ I did do my homework.
- a. and
 - b. or
 - c. but
 - d. so

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Conjunctions Answers

1. a
2. d
3. c
4. b
5. d
6. c
7. a
8. b
9. d
10. c