

Expanding and Rearranging Sentences

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Quick Review

You can EXPAND a sentence by adding details that tell when, where, or how. You can JOIN two short sentences with **and**, **but**, or **so**. You can also REARRANGE the words to start a sentence in a new way.

PRACTICE

Choose or write the best answer for each item.

1. Which sentence has more detail than *The dog ran.*?
 - A. The dog.
 - B. The dog ran fast in the yard.
 - C. Ran the dog.
 - D. Dog ran.
2. Which word best joins these sentences? *I like apples. I like pears.*
 - A. but
 - B. and
 - C. so
 - D. or
3. Which word best joins these sentences? *It was cold. I wore a coat.*
 - A. but
 - B. or
 - C. so
 - D. and
4. Which word best joins these sentences? *I wanted to play. It was raining.*
 - A. and
 - B. so
 - C. but
 - D. or



5. Which sentence is rearranged from *We went to the park today.*?

- A. We the park went today.
- B. Today we went to the park.
- C. Park we went today the.
- D. To we went the park today.

6. Which is a complete sentence?

- A. The big red kite.
- B. Flew up high.
- C. The kite flew up high.
- D. Up high in the sky.

7. Add a detail to make this sentence longer: *The cat sleeps _____.*

Answer: _____

8. Join the two sentences with one word: *I ran fast _____ I still missed the bus.*

Answer: _____

9. Take the short sentence *Birds fly.* and expand it by adding details.

10. Write one sentence that joins two ideas with the word **and**.



Answer Keys

- 1 A B C D
- 2 A B C D
- 3 A B C D
- 4 A B C D
- 5 A B C D

- 6 A B C D
- 7
- 8
- 9
- 10

Explanations

1. B	This sentence adds details that tell how and where the dog ran.
2. B	And joins two ideas that go together.
3. C	So shows that one idea is the reason for the other.
4. C	But shows that the two ideas are different.
5. B	This sentence moves the word today to the front and still makes sense.
6. C	A complete sentence has a naming part and an action part.
7.	Answer: on the bed Any detail that tells where, when, or how is correct.
8. but	But shows that the two ideas are different.
9.	Answer: Example: The small birds fly high in the sky. Accept any longer sentence that adds details and still makes sense.
10.	Answer: Example: I like to read, and I like to draw. Accept any sentence that joins two complete ideas with and.



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