

Coordinating and Subordinating Conjunctions

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Quick Review

CONJUNCTIONS connect parts of sentences. COORDINATING conjunctions join equal parts: **and, but, or, so**. SUBORDINATING conjunctions start a part that depends on the main idea: **because, when, if, although, while**.

PRACTICE

Pick or write the BEST answer.

1. Which conjunction BEST fits? *I wanted to play outside, _____ it was raining.*
 - A. and
 - B. but
 - C. so
 - D. or
2. Which conjunction BEST fits? *You can have juice _____ milk.*
 - A. and
 - B. but
 - C. so
 - D. or
3. Which conjunction BEST fits? *I was tired, _____ I went to bed early.*
 - A. and
 - B. but
 - C. so
 - D. or
4. Which conjunction is SUBORDINATING?
 - A. and
 - B. but
 - C. because
 - D. or



5. Which sentence uses a subordinating conjunction correctly?
- A. I was happy and I sang a song.
 - B. I sang a song because I was happy.
 - C. I sang a song or I danced.
 - D. I sang a song but I was happy.
6. Which conjunction BEST fits? _____ *it stops raining, we will go outside.*
- A. When
 - B. And
 - C. But
 - D. Or
7. Which sentence has a MISTAKE?
- A. I like apples and oranges.
 - B. I went home because I was tired.
 - C. She is funny but she is also smart.
 - D. He stayed home, when he was sick.
8. Fill in a conjunction: *I want to play outside _____ I finish my homework.* (time/condition)
Answer: _____
9. Which conjunction shows a CONDITION?
- A. and
 - B. if
 - C. but
 - D. or
10. Which sentence uses the conjunction *although* correctly?
- A. Although the soup was hot, I ate it.
 - B. Although I am happy.
 - C. I went home although.
 - D. Although or because, I will go.



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

Explanations

1. B	But shows contrast. And adds; so shows result; or shows choice.
2. D	Or shows a choice. The others don't fit a choice between two options.
3. C	So shows result/consequence. And just adds; but contrasts; or offers a choice.
4. C	Because starts a dependent clause (subordinating). The others are coordinating.
5. B	Because joins a reason to the main clause. The others use coordinating conjunctions or don't make sense.
6. A	When introduces a time clause. The others are coordinating conjunctions.
7. D	No comma is needed before "when" here. The others are correct.
8.	Answer: after / when / before / if Any subordinating conjunction that shows time or condition.
9. B	If shows a condition. The others join, contrast, or offer choices.
10. A	Although introduces a contrast and connects two ideas. The others are incomplete or misused.



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