

Max the Monkey's Conjunction Challenge

Learning objective: To use a range of conjunctions (when, if, because, although) to extend sentences.

Read the story about Max the monkey below. Use the conjunctions from the word bank to join the sentence fragments together to make them more interesting.

Max the monkey was busy in the jungle. He looked at the tall trees. He wanted to climb to the very top. He had a map. The map was a bit crumpled. He felt happy. He saw a juicy banana hanging from a branch. He reached out carefully. He was excited to share his snack with his friends.

Word bank: because · when · if · although · but · so

1. Join these two sentences using the word 'because': Max felt happy. He found a delicious banana. (2 marks)

2. Join these two sentences using the word 'although': The map was crumpled. Max could still read it perfectly. (2 marks)

3. Join these two sentences using the word 'when': Max reached the top of the tree. He saw a beautiful view of the forest. (2 marks)

4. Join these two sentences using the word 'if': Max will share his banana. He has enough to go around. (2 marks)

5. Look at the passage and find one sentence that uses a conjunction. Write it down below. (1 mark)

Draw: Draw a picture of Max the monkey sitting at the top of a tree, holding a banana and looking at his map. Add a speech bubble showing Max saying something using a conjunction, such as 'I am happy because I found the best tree!'



Extension challenge: Write two sentences of your own about your favourite animal. Use a different conjunction in each sentence to join two ideas together.