

Max's Magnificent Conjunctions Challenge

Learning objective: To identify, understand, and correctly use a range of coordinating and subordinating conjunctions to link clauses.

Help Max the monkey solve these grammar puzzles! Read each question carefully and choose the correct conjunction to join the ideas together.

Answer Key: 1) C, 2) True, 3) because, 4) B, 5) False, 6) A, 7) although, 8) C, 9) True, 10) while.

Word bank: although · because · but · so · while · unless · since · or

1. 1. Which conjunction is a coordinating conjunction? A) although B) because C) but D) while (1 mark)

2. 2. True or False: A subordinating conjunction is used to connect a main clause to a subordinate clause. (1 mark)

3. 3. Fill in the blank: Max ate a banana _____ he was hungry. (1 mark)

4. 4. Choose the correct sentence: A) I like apples or I like pears. B) I like apples, or I like pears. C) I like apples or, I like pears. D) I like apples or and I like pears. (1 mark)

5. 5. True or False: 'And' is a subordinating conjunction. (1 mark)

6. 6. Which word completes this sentence best? 'I will go to the park _____ it stops raining.' A) unless B) or C) so D) but (1 mark)

7. 7. Fill in the blank: _____ it was cold, Pip the caterpillar wore his tiny woolly scarf. (1 mark)

8. 8. Identify the conjunction in this sentence: 'Nova the owl watched the stars while the rest of the forest slept.' A) watched B) forest C) while D) slept (1 mark)

9. 9. True or False: You should use a comma before a coordinating conjunction when joining two main clauses. (1 mark)

10. 10. Fill in the blank: Ellie the elephant remembered the path, _____ she led the way home. (1 mark)

Draw: Draw Max the monkey holding a sign that has the word 'BUT' written on it, _____ surrounded by jungle leaves.



Extension challenge: Write three complex sentences of your own about your favorite animal, using at least one subordinating conjunction (like although, since, or while) in each.