

Joining Ideas with Max the Monkey

Learning objective: To use coordinating and subordinating conjunctions to join sentences together.

Max the Monkey loves to solve maths puzzles, but he also loves writing! Read the sentences below. Use a joining word from the word bank to make two sentences into one longer sentence. You can use the sentence starters to help you.

Max found a shiny apple. He was very hungry. Max wanted to climb the tall tree. It was raining outside. Max sat in his cosy den. He read his favourite book. He felt happy. He had his friends with him.

Word bank: and · but · so · because · when

1. 1. Join these two sentences using 'and': Max found a shiny apple. He was very hungry. (Start with: Max found a shiny apple...) (2 marks)

2. 2. Join these two sentences using 'but': Max wanted to climb the tree. It was raining. (Start with: Max wanted to climb the tree...) (2 marks)

3. 3. Join these two sentences using 'so': Max was tired. He sat in his den. (2 marks)

4. 4. Join these two sentences using 'because': Max felt happy. He had his friends with him. (2 marks)

Draw: Draw a picture of Max the Monkey reading a book in his cosy den with his friends.



Extension challenge: Can you write one sentence about what you like to do on the weekend? Try to use the word 'because' in your sentence.