

Max's Magnificent Conjunction Quiz

Learning objective: To identify, classify, and use coordinating and subordinating conjunctions to link clauses effectively.

Max the monkey has been busy sorting out his sentences! Read each question carefully and use your knowledge of conjunctions to help him finish his puzzle. Good luck!

Answer Key: 1.C, 2.B, 3.A, 4.True, 5.False (it is subordinating), 6.Because, 7.Yet, 8.Although, 9.Coordinating conjunctions connect two equal clauses; subordinating conjunctions connect a main clause to a subordinate clause, 10. Answers will vary (e.g., I wanted to go to the park, but it started to rain).

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

1. Which of these is a coordinating conjunction? A) although B) because C) yet * D) since (1 mark)

2. Choose the best conjunction to complete the sentence: 'Max wanted to climb the tree, ____ he was feeling very energetic.' A) although B) so * C) while D) unless (1 mark)

3. Identify the subordinating conjunction in this sentence: 'We can go to the beach if the sun comes out.' A) if * B) we C) the D) out (1 mark)

4. True or False: 'Or' is a coordinating conjunction used to show a choice. (1 mark)

5. True or False: 'Because' is a coordinating conjunction. (1 mark)

6. Fill in the blank: 'Ellie the elephant was happy ____ she found her favourite book.' (1 mark)

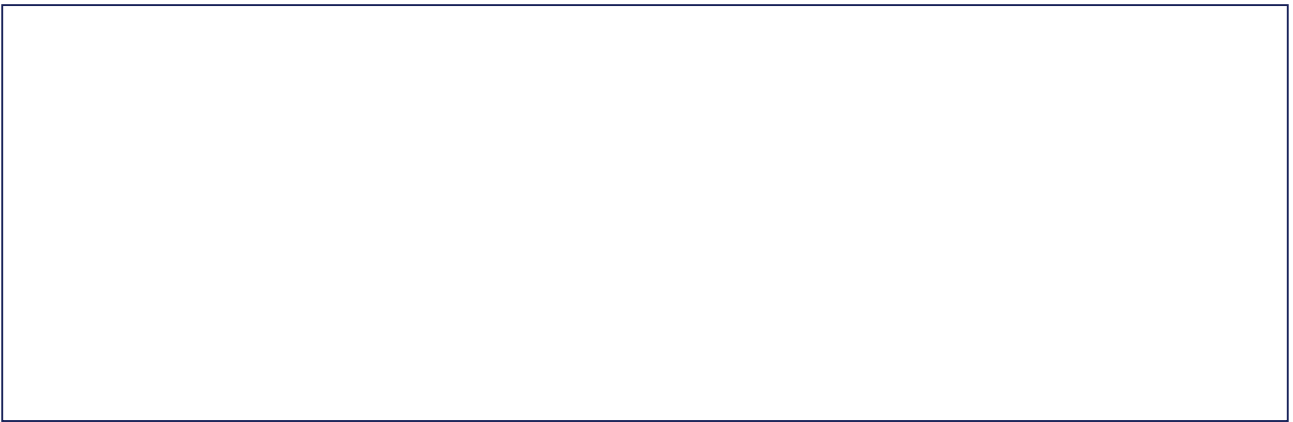
7. Fill in the blank: 'The weather looked gloomy, ____ the lion decided to stay inside and write poetry.' (1 mark)

8. Fill in the blank: '____ it was late, Nova the owl stayed awake to stargaze.' (1 mark)

9. Explain why it is important to distinguish between coordinating and subordinating conjunctions when writing complex sentences. (1 mark)

10. Write your own sentence that includes a subordinating conjunction to describe something you love about nature. (1 mark)

Draw: Draw a picture of Max the monkey sitting in a jungle clearing, surrounded by speech bubbles that contain the conjunctions 'and', 'but', 'so', and 'because'.



Extension challenge: Challenge: Write a short paragraph (3-4 sentences) about an adventure Pip the caterpillar goes on. You must use at least one coordinating conjunction and one subordinating conjunction. Justify why you chose those specific conjunctions to connect your ideas. What might happen to the flow of your writing if you removed all the conjunctions?