

Connecting Your Ideas: Mastering Conjunctions with Pip

Join Pip the Bookworm on an adventure to connect your sentences and make your writing flow!

■ **Coordinating conjunctions connect two equal parts of a sentence. Remember the acronym FANBOYS: For, And, Nor, But, Or, Yet, So.**

■ **Subordinating conjunctions start a subordinate clause, which cannot stand alone. Common examples include: because, if, since, while, and although.**

■ **Place a comma after a subordinate clause if it comes before the main clause (e.g., 'Although it was raining, Pip finished his book.').**

■ **Use conjunctions to avoid repetition. Instead of writing two sentences, use a conjunction to merge them into one complex sentence.**

■ **Vary your sentence structure by starting with a subordinating conjunction to add suspense or detail to the beginning of your sentence.**

Did you know? Did you know? Conjunctions are the 'glue' of the English language. Without them, your writing would be a series of short, choppy sentences. By using words like 'although' or 'because', you transform simple notes into a flowing story that guides your reader through your brilliant ideas!

Key vocabulary: Coordinating conjunctions · Subordinating conjunctions · Clause · Cohesion · FANBOYS · Subordinate clause