

Max the Monkey's Maths Adventure: Conjunction Challenge

Learning objective: To use a range of coordinating and subordinating conjunctions to create complex and compound sentences.

Max the Monkey is trying to describe his latest maths puzzle adventure. Help him complete his diary entry by using different types of conjunctions. Remember: Coordinating conjunctions (for, and, nor, but, or, yet, so) join two equal clauses, while subordinating conjunctions (because, if, since, although, while) show a relationship between clauses.

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

1. The Morning Puzzle: Describe how Max started his day using a coordinating conjunction (e.g., 'and', 'but', 'so'). (2 marks)

2. The Obstacle: Explain a tricky problem Max faced using a subordinating conjunction (e.g., 'although', 'because'). (2 marks)

3. The Solution: Describe how Max solved the puzzle using the conjunction 'while' to show two things happening at once. (2 marks)

4. The Reward: Write a sentence about Max sharing his success using the conjunction 'since'. (2 marks)

5. Reflection: Write a final sentence about why Max loves maths, using a conjunction of your choice. (2 marks)

Extension challenge: Challenge: Choose one of your sentences and try to rewrite it by moving the subordinate clause to the start of the sentence. Remember to check your punctuation!