

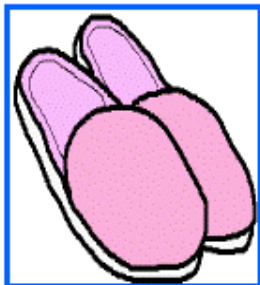
Connectors: and, but, because and so



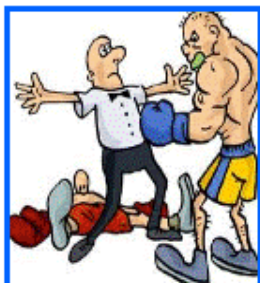
1



2



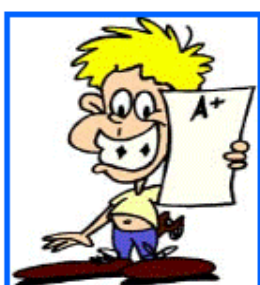
3



4



5



6

Connectors are used to join and connect clauses. They express different things.

And

And expresses addition. When we use it, we add something to the previous clause.

But

But expresses contrast. When we use it we are opposing two ideas.

Because

Because expresses cause. When we use it we are presenting a reason.

So

So expresses the result of something stated on the previous clause.

A) Now join the two pairs of the sentences written below that illustrate the pictures on the left by using and, but, because or so.

John took a bath early in the morning.
He had to go to the doctor.

1

The family had dinner very quickly.
They wanted to go to the museum.

2

Bella took off her slippers.
She went to bed afterwards.

3

Ben lost the boxing challenge. He didn't care
because he is a plus at martial arts.

4

Greg didn't want to forget His meeting with Mr.
Harris. He put a reminder on his finger.

5

George got an A+ at English.
He felt really happy.

6

B) Now do the same with the sentences below.

1. I can't speak French. I can speak German. _____
2. You can't go to the park. It is closed. _____
3. She is thin. She eats a lot. _____
4. Barbara is intelligent. She gets good grades. _____
5. Michael doesn't study. He gets good grades. _____
6. Richard didn't go to work. He had the flu. _____
7. I was very nervous. I didn't pass the driving test. _____
8. Samuel goes to school by bus. I go with him. _____

C) Fill in with *and* or *but*.

1. I am fat _____ I am happy.
2. Charles is a very hard-working man _____ he got the promotion.
3. They didn't see that film _____ they know the plot.
4. Sue is an attentive student _____ she is not very intelligent.
5. Jim is a rude boy _____ nobody likes him.
6. The lift is functioning _____ I'll take the stairs.
7. The pupils didn't study for the test _____ they didn't get good results.

D) Fill in with *because* or *so*.

1. Ian touched the wire _____ he got an electric shock.
2. Ian got an electric shock _____ he touched the wire.
3. I'm going to bed _____ I'm very sleepy.
4. I haven't got enough butter _____ I'm going to buy some.
5. Charles is a very hard-working man _____ he got the promotion.
6. Today is Peter's birthday _____ we have to buy him a present.
7. It's very hot outside _____ we must be cautious.

E) Choose the connector given on the right to complete the sentences.

1. I'm going to England _____ I want to improve my English.
2. My mother likes tea _____ my father prefers coffee.
3. I' hungry _____ I haven't taken breakfast yet.
4. I've lost my keys _____ now I can't get into my house.
5. Susan can't cook _____ her mother didn't teach her.
6. You didn't understand this _____ you didn't pay attention.
7. Paul gets up _____ has a shower.
8. My Mum works in the office _____ she doesn't like it.
9. There are plenty of books in the shelves _____ you can read.
10. The kitchen is dirty _____ you didn't clean it.
11. The baby is crying _____ you didn't feed him.
12. Vera went to France on holiday _____ she visit the Eiffel Tower.

1. because, so
2. and, but
3. so, because
4. but, so
5. so, because.
6. but, because
7. because, and
8. but, so
9. but, so
10. but, because
11. and, because
12. and, but

ANSWER KEY

A)

1. John took a bath early in the morning **because** he had to go to the doctor.
2. The family had dinner very quickly **because** they wanted to go to the museum.
3. Bella took off her slippers **and** went to bed afterwards.
4. Ben lost the boxing challenge **but** he didn't care because he is a plus at martial arts.
5. Greg didn't want to forget His meeting with Mr. Harris **so** he put a reminder on his finger.
6. George got an A+ at English **so** he felt really happy.

B)

1. I can't speak French **but** I can speak German.
2. You can't go to the park **because** it is closed.
3. She is thin **but** she eats a lot.
4. Barbara is intelligent **so** she gets good grades.
5. Michael doesn't study **but** he gets good grades.
6. Richard didn't go to work **because** he had the flu.
7. I was very nervous **so** I didn't pass the driving test.
8. Samuel goes to school by bus **and** I go with him.

C)

1. I am fat **but** I am happy.
2. Charles is a very hard-working man **and** he got the promotion.
3. They didn't see that film **but** they know the plot.
4. Sue is an attentive student **but** she is not very intelligent.
5. Jim is a rude boy **and** nobody likes him.
6. The lift is functioning **but** I'll take the stairs.
7. The pupils didn't study for the test **and** they didn't get good results.

D)

1. Ian touched the wire **so** he got an electric shock.
2. Ian got an electric shock **because** he touched the wire.
3. I'm going to bed **because** I'm very sleepy.
4. I haven't got enough butter **so** I'm going to buy some.
5. Charles is a very hard-working man **so** he got the promotion.
6. Today is Peter's birthday **so** we have to buy him a present.
7. It's very hot outside **so** we must be cautious.

E)

- | | |
|------------|-------------|
| 1. because | 7. and |
| 2. but | 8. but |
| 3. because | 9. so |
| 4. so | 10. because |
| 5. because | 11. because |
| 6. because | 12. and |