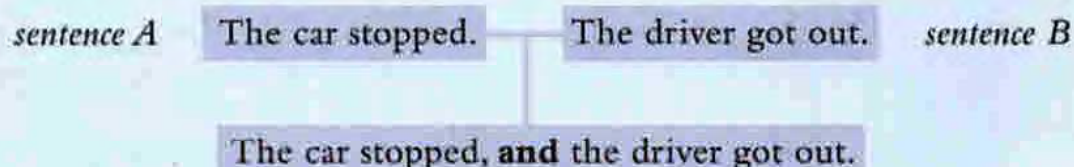


and but or so because

A

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We use these words (*conjunctions*) to join two sentences. They make one longer sentence from two shorter sentences:



B

And/but/or

<i>sentence A</i>		<i>sentence B</i>
We stayed at home	and	(we)* watched television.
My sister is married	and	(she)* lives in Houston.
He doesn't like her,	and	she doesn't like him.
I bought a newspaper,	but	I didn't read it.
It's a nice house,	but	it doesn't have a garage.
Do you want to go out,	or	are you too tired?

*It is not necessary to repeat "we" and "she."

In lists, we use commas (,). We use **and** before the last thing:

- I got home, had something to eat, sat down in an armchair, **and** fell asleep.
- Karen is at work, Sue has gone shopping, **and** Chris is playing football.

C

So (the result of something)

<i>sentence A</i>		<i>sentence B</i>
It was very hot,	so	I opened the window.
Joe plays a lot of sports,	so	he's very fit.
They don't like to travel,	so	they haven't been to many places.

D

Because (the reason for something)

<i>sentence A</i>		<i>sentence B</i>
I opened the window	because	it was very hot.
Joe can't come to the party	because	he's leaving town.
Lisa is hungry	because	she didn't have breakfast.

Because is also possible at the beginning. We use a comma.

- **Because it was very hot,** I opened the window.

E

In these examples there is more than one conjunction:

- It was late **and** I was tired, **so** I went to bed.
- I love New York, **but** I wouldn't like to live there **because** it's too big.

98.1 Write sentences. Choose from the boxes and use *and/but/or*.

~~I stayed at home.~~
~~I bought a newspaper.~~
 I went to the window.
 I wanted to call you.
 I jumped into the river.
 I usually drive to work.
 Do you want me to come with you?

I didn't have your number.
 Should I wait here?
~~I didn't read it.~~
 I took the bus this morning.
~~I watched television.~~
 I swam to the other side.
 I looked out.

- I stayed at home and watched television.
- I bought a newspaper, but I didn't read it.
- I _____
- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____

98.2 Look at the pictures and complete the sentences. Use *and/but/so/because*.



- It was very hot, so he opened the window.
- They couldn't play tennis _____
- They went to the museum, _____
- Bill wasn't hungry, _____
- Helen was late _____
- Sue said _____

98.3 Write sentences about what you did yesterday. Use *and/but, etc.*

- (and) Last night I stayed at home and studied.
- (because) I went to bed very early because I was tired.
- (but) _____
- (and) _____
- (so) _____
- (because) _____