








# CONNECTORS

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Connectors show logical relationships between clauses in a sentence, between sentences within a paragraph, or even between paragraphs. They may convey different ideas such as addition, contrast, concession, time, reason, result, etc.



<p><b>Addition/ Exemplification</b></p> 	<p>→ We bought the food <b>and</b> they supplied the drinks.</p> <p>→ The place was <b>not only</b> cold, <b>but also</b> damp.</p> <p>- He <b>not only</b> brought food and drinks, <b>but</b> he <b>also</b> brought a pile of presents for the children.</p>	<p>→ She <b>both</b> dances <b>and</b> sings.</p> <p>→ She's fluent in French. She <b>also</b> speaks a little Italian.</p> <p>→ She speaks a little Italian <b>too</b>.</p> <p>→ She speaks a little Italian <b>as well</b>.</p>	<p>→ They are short of food. <b>In addition</b>, they need doctors and medical supplies.</p> <p>→ <b>In addition to</b> missing his children, Tom misses his wife.</p> <p>→ <b>Furthermore</b>, they need water, clothes and toiletries.</p>	<p>→ He didn't discuss the matter with her. <b>Moreover</b>, he didn't contact her after the meeting.</p> <p>→ <b>Besides</b> being away from home, he's having trouble in school, <b>not to mention</b> feeling lonely all the time.</p>	<p>→ She'd never manage to work 8 hours a day as a secretary. <b>Besides</b>, she can't type.</p> <p>→ It is possible to combine Computer Science with other subjects, <b>for example/ for instance</b> Physics.</p> <p>→ Wildflowers <b>such as</b> orchids and primroses are becoming very rare.</p>
<p><b>Alternative</b></p>	<p>→ Is it a boy <b>or</b> a girl?</p>	<p>→ You can have <b>either</b> tea <b>or</b> coffee.</p>	<p>- You can <b>either</b> come with me now <b>or</b> walk home.</p>	<p>→ I <b>neither</b> smoke <b>nor</b> drink.</p>	
<p><b>Contrast/ Concession</b></p> 	<p>→ It was raining, <b>but/ yet/ and yet</b> Ann went out without an umbrella.</p> <p>→ It was raining; <b>however</b>, / <b>nevertheless</b>, / <b>nonetheless</b>, / <b>even so</b>, Ann went out without an umbrella.</p>	<p>→ <b>Although</b> / <b>Though</b> / <b>Even though</b> it was raining, Ann went out without an umbrella.</p> <p>→ <b>Despite</b> / <b>In spite of</b> the rain, Ann went out without an umbrella.</p>	<p>→ <b>In spite of</b> being one of the best students in her class, Ann doesn't like Maths.</p> <p>→ <b>In spite of the fact that</b> / <b>Despite the fact that</b> he still has a fever, he has decided to go to school.</p>	<p>→ He isn't getting good grades. <b>In spite of this</b>, he is still trying to improve.</p> <p>→ <b>While</b> / <b>Whereas</b> some languages have 30 or more different vowel sounds, others have 5 or less.</p>	<p>→ The job wasn't very interesting, but <b>on the other hand</b> it was well paid.</p> <p>→ Culture shock is a universal experience. Deep depression, <b>in contrast</b>, is not.</p>

<p>Reason/ Result/ Purpose</p> 	<p>→ He went to see his advisor, <b>for/because</b> he was worried about his grades.</p> <p>→ <b>Because/ Since/ As</b> he was worried about his grades, he went to see his advisor.</p> <p>→ He went to see his advisor <b>because of</b> his depression.</p>	<p>→ <b>Due to / Owing to</b> the bad weather, the match was cancelled.</p> <p>→ He found it difficult to concentrate <b>due to</b> being depressed.</p> <p>→ He was depressed, <b>so</b> he went to see his advisor.</p>	<p>→ He was worried about his grades. <b>Accordingly</b>, he went to see his advisor.</p> <p>→ His advisor told him that culture shock is universal. He <b>consequently</b> felt much better about his depression. <b>As a result</b>, he decided not to go home earlier. <b>Therefore</b>, he cancelled his plane reservation.</p>	<p>→ <b>As a result of</b> his advice, he realized that he should be patient.</p> <p>→ He was feeling much better now. <b>Thus</b>, he had no excuse to go home earlier.</p> <p>→ He's stayed there for six months <b>so that</b> he could improve his English.</p>	<p>→ He sat down <b>to</b> rest.</p> <p>→ He got up early <b>in order to</b> have time to pack.</p> <p>→ He's going to leave now, <b>so as not to/ in order not to</b> be late.</p>
<p>Time/ Sequence</p> 	<p>→ <b>After</b> I left school. I went to America.</p> <p>→ I went to America <b>after</b> leaving school.</p> <p>→ I'm going to do my exams and <b>afterwards</b> I'm going to study medicine.</p>	<p>→ I'll call in and see you <b>for</b> a few minutes <b>during</b> the afternoon.</p> <p>→ He hasn't phoned <b>since</b> he went to Berlin.</p> <p>→ She got a terrible cold last month. <b>Since then</b> she has always carried an umbrella.</p>	<p>→ <b>First</b>, take the underground to Westminster Station. <b>Then</b> walk up Parliament Street <b>until/ till</b> you get to Downing Street. <b>Next</b> go to number 10. Smile at the policeman <b>before</b> you ring the bell.</p>	<p>→ <b>When</b> the Prime Minister opens the door, hand him this parcel. <b>Finally</b>, don't wait for an answer.</p> <p>→ <b>As soon as</b> he arrived at the airport, he took a taxi and went home.</p>	<p>→ He <b>soon</b> became depressed and homesick.</p> <p>→ I stay with Monica <b>whenever</b> I go to London.</p>
<p>Condition</p> 	<p>→ The advisor told him to keep busy <b>or else</b> he would become more depressed.</p> <p>→ I asked <b>whether/ if</b> she had any letters for me.</p> <p>→ I'll be back tomorrow <b>unless</b> there's a plane strike.</p>	<p>→ His advisor told him to get a lot of exercise <b>provided/ providing/ if</b> he could do that without neglecting his studies.</p> <p>→ I'll give you the day off <b>on condition that</b> you work on Saturday morning.</p>	<p>→ <b>In that case</b>, ask the policeman to deliver the parcel.</p> <p>→ You can stay with us <b>as long as/ so long as</b> you share the expenses.</p>	<p>→ <b>Supposing</b> he is not at home, what should I do?</p> <p>→ My parents lent me the money. <b>Otherwise</b>, I couldn't have afforded the trip.</p>	<p>→ He didn't want to go home early... He would feel that he had failed. <b>Under such circumstances</b>, he might even feel worse than he had in America.</p>