

What are conjunctions?

A conjunction links two words **or** phrases together **so** it is a joining word!

There are two main types of conjunctions:

-co-ordinating conjunctions

These link two words or phrases together as an equal pair so they are equally important and make sense on their own.

For example: **and, or, but, so**

James bought a bat **and** he played with it.

Kylie is young **but** she can kick the ball hard.

I would like an ice cream **or** I could have an apple.

-subordinating conjunctions

adds extra information to a sentence but it will not make sense on its own.

For example: **when, because, if, that**

Everyone watches **when** Kyle does back-flips.

Joe can't practise kicking **because** he's injured.

You can also change the word order for these sentences and start with the conjunction:

When Kyle does back-flips, everyone watches.

Because he's injured, Joe can't practise kicking.

Children in year 2 are expected to use these in their sentences.