

Compound sentences

and (for addition) or (for choice) but (for contrast) so (for a result)

I. Choose the correct sentence

- I have stomach ache, so I don't want to eat anything.
I have stomach ache, or I don't want to eat anything.
- My mother eats a lot of fruit and vegetables, so she does exercise every morning.
My mother eats a lot of fruit and vegetables, and she does exercise every morning.
- My cousin Trang is very fat, but she is too lazy to walk.
My cousin Trang is very fat, or she is too lazy to walk.
- You can eat less, but you can do more exercise.
You can eat less, or you can do more exercise.
- I have flu, but I don't feel very tired.
I have flu, so I don't feel very tired.
- The Japanese eat a lot of fish, so they eat a lot of tofu, too.
The Japanese eat a lot of fish, and they eat a lot of tofu, too.
- The Americans often eat fast food, so many of them are overweight.
The Americans often eat fast food, but many of them are overweight.
- You can walk so you can ride a bike to get there.
You can walk or you can ride a bike to get there.

II. Put the correct word from the box in each blank.

and (2)	but (2)	so (2)	because	or	although
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- He couldn't hang out with us last night _____ he had a lot of homework.
- My mother doesn't like pop music _____ my sister doesn't like it, either.
- How did they get there? By bus _____ by taxi?
- I had a headache yesterday, _____ I didn't go to school.
- They played very well, _____ they didn't win.
- She didn't have a map, _____ she got lost.
- She passed the examination easily, _____ she isn't intelligent.
- I love reading books, _____ my younger brother does too.
- Minh enjoys watching football matches on TV, _____ he never plays it

III. Join each pair of sentences by using a suitable conjunction: *and, but, or, so*.

- The bus stopped. The man got off.

- Junk food tastes so good. It is bad for your health.

- You should eat less junk food. You will put on weight.

- He is a vegetarian. He doesn't eat any meat.

- Would you like meat for lunch? Would you like vegetables for lunch?

- Susan went to the park. She had a ride on the swing.

- I love fruit. I am allergic to strawberries.

- There was a heavy rain. The roads were flooded.
