



The driver is the most dangerous part of the car.
Leo Campion, French humorist

One October evening

1 GRAMMAR *so, because, but, although*

a Circle the correct words.

- 1 Although Jim has a lot of money, he's really stingy / very generous.
- 2 They wanted to play soccer, but it was sunny / snowing.
- 3 I had a great vacation in Egypt, although I can / can't speak Arabic.
- 4 The hotel was fabulous, but it was a little expensive / very nice.
- 5 I went on a date with John, although I don't really like him / like him a lot.

b Complete the sentences using *because* or *so* and the correct ending.

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| 1 I didn't have any breakfast | <u>because</u> | ☒ d |
| 2 Maria lost her wallet, | _____ | ☐ |
| 3 I called the police | _____ | ☐ |
| 4 She thought the book was boring, | _____ | ☐ |
| 5 John wanted to learn Chinese, | _____ | ☐ |
| 6 I didn't go out with him | _____ | ☐ |

- a I didn't like him.
- b he took an evening class.
- c she stopped reading it.
- d I didn't have time.
- e she canceled her credit cards.
- f the door to my apartment was open.

c Look at each group of sentences. Complete each sentence with *so*, *because*, *but*, or *although*.

- 1 a Linda ran to the station because she was very late.
- b Linda was very late, _____ she ran to the station.
- c _____ Linda ran to the station, she was too late and missed the train.
- 2 a We stayed home last Sunday _____ it was raining.
- b It was raining, _____ we stayed home.
- c _____ we couldn't go out, we had a really nice afternoon at home.

- 3 a The tickets were very expensive, _____ they managed to sell them all in an hour.
- b _____ the tickets were very expensive, they sold them all in an hour.
- c The concert was very popular, _____ they sold all the tickets.

2 VOCABULARY verb phrases

a Match the phrases.

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| 1 Jamie and Hannah met | ☒ d | a a romantic restaurant. |
| 2 He played | ☐ | b to dinner. |
| 3 He asked her for | ☐ | c in love. |
| 4 He invited her | ☐ | d in a club. |
| 5 He took her to | ☐ | e each other every day. |
| 6 They saw | ☐ | f her phone number. |
| 7 They fell | ☐ | g her favorite song. |

4 READING

- a Read the story. Number the paragraphs in the right order.

A nasty experience



☐ My grandmother didn't notice anything at first, but when she went to bed that evening she found that her jewelry wasn't in the usual place. And then she remembered the girls and called the police. They were very sympathetic, but I don't think they'll ever catch the girls.

- ☒ 1 My grandmother had a terrible experience last weekend. She's 82 years old, and she lives by herself. I've always told her to be careful when she's answering the door because you never know who's outside.
- ☐ "What are you doing up there?" she shouted, and the girl said, "Can I use your bathroom, please?" My grandmother said yes and didn't worry about it, although the girl was upstairs for ages. She gave the girl in the kitchen a glass of water. Then the second girl came downstairs, and they left.

- ☐ My grandmother thought they looked like nice girls, so she invited them in. They looked around the living room, and then one of them said, "Can I have a glass of water, please?" so my grandmother took her into the kitchen. While they were in the kitchen, she heard the other one run upstairs.
- ☐ Anyway, she was at home last Sunday. At about 4:00 in the afternoon, she heard someone knock at the front door. She opened the door, and there were two girls outside, about 10 or 11 years old. "Hello," said one of the girls. "Our parents are going to buy a house like yours, in this area. Can we take a look at your house, please? We want to see what it's like."