

EXERCISE

Exercise 1. Choose among or / and / so / but to complete these sentences.

1. I'm going to go shopping on Sunday buy some new clothes.
2. I've just eaten dinner I'm not hungry.
3. Why don't you ring Sue find out what time she's coming over tonight?
4. Don't tell John about his birthday party you'll spoil the surprise.
5. I have been saving my money this year next year I plan to take a long holiday in Europe.
6. Secretary to Boss: Do you want anything else can I go home now?
7. I love to travel I hate travelling by bus.
8. I'm bored! Let's go out to dinner..... see a movie.
9. I like living in the city my brother prefers living in the country.
10. Betty's just got a promotion at work she's very happy.
11. Father to Son: You're thirty now. Don't you think it's time that you settled down got married?
12. Tom got a great Christmas bonus from work this year he and his family can have a good vacation this year.
13. It's late. You should go to bed now you'll be tired tomorrow.
14. The taxi stopped at the train station two men got out of it.
15. I was in the area I thought I'd drop in and say hello.
16. I really hate to have to sell my car I need the money.
17. My friend fell down the stairs sprained his ankle.
18. I won't be home for Christmas I will be there for New Year's.
19. Julia was very angry with Tom she went for a long walk to cool down.
20. Can you stop at the shop get some milk on your way home from work?
21. Are you busy this weekend do you have some free time? I need some help moving to my new house.
22. You've been working hard in the garden all day..... Why don't you sit down I'll bring you a nice cold drink.

23. Nobody was home when I rang Jenny I left a message for her.
24. I've been dieting I'm not losing any weight.
25. Will you eat that last chocolate biscuit will you leave it for me?
26. It's raining. Wear your raincoat you don't get wet.
27. I'm sorry I missed your birthday party Alan, my car broke down it took me hours to walk to a phone.
28. Bill graduated first in his class at University his parents bought him a new car.
29. We left very early this morning for our holiday..... here was still a traffic jam on the freeway.
30. I had a very boring weekend, I just sat around the house did nothing.
31. Can I help you with that are you all right?
32. Would you rather stay home tonight would you rather go out?
33. John may have built this house by himself he hired an architect to design it.
34. Is this seat already taken can I sit there?
35. Your sister rang today she didn't leave a message.
36. You had better hurry you'll be late for work.

Exercise 2. Rewrite the sentences using the paired conjunctions given in brackets. Make any necessary changes. DO NOT USE ANY PUNCTUATION MARKS!

Example:

Tom doesn't lie to his friends. Paul doesn't either. (neither...nor)

Neither Tom nor Paul lie to their friends.

1. Fred likes helping his friends. So does Linda. (both...and)

2. Harry used to date Ann. Or was it Helen? (either...or)

3. We should learn to accept our weaknesses and our strengths. (not only...but also)
4. He never listens to or advises his friends when they have a problem. (neither...nor)
5. I've betrayed your trust. I've betrayed your love for me. (not only...but also)
6. He felt disappointed. He felt misunderstood. (both...and)
7. Brian isn't very considerate. Neither is Tom. (neither...nor)
8. A true friend is someone who is caring and loving. (both...and)
9. Rachel should apologise or leave. (either...or)
10. Richard and John didn't keep her secret. (neither...nor)

Exercise 3. Choose the most meaningful option.

1. Who wrote you this love letter? - I'm not sure. I think it was ____ Michael ____ Paul.
a. both...and b. either...or c. neither...nor d. not...only
2. ____ Linda ____ Helen called to say sorry. I'm very sad and frustrated.
a. both...and b. either...or c. neither...nor d. not only...but also

3. ___ Ryan ___ Susie have disappointed me. They didn't come to my birthday party.
a. both...and b. either...or c. neither...nor d. not only...but also
4. Paul has been neglecting us. He ___ calls ___ hangs out with us anymore.
a. both...and b. either...or c. neither...nor d. not only...but also
5. He hurt ___ her feelings ___ her dignity. This is unforgivable.
a. not only...but also b. either...or c. neither...nor
6. ___ loyalty ___ honesty are essential in a friendship.
a. both...and b. either...or c. neither...nor
7. You should ___ disrespect ___ deceive your friends.
a. both...and b. either...or c. neither...nor d. not only...but also
8. I will take you ___ to the cinema ___ to the theatre. That's a promise.
a. both...and b. either...or c. neither...nor d. not only...but also