

## Connectives or Linking Words (B1)

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### Essay Writing

#### Section W1

- 1** In Section W1 you have to write a composition of 150–200 words. You have a choice of four topics.

There are three kinds of essays.

#### Descriptive Essays

1. **Describe...** a city that you have lived in.
2. **Write a description of...** an interesting person you know.

#### Narrative Essays (i.e. writing a story)

1. **Write a story beginning with the words** "I had never seen so much money."
2. "As soon as I saw him I knew that..." **Continue the story.**

#### Imaginative Essays

1. **What would you do if...** you won \$5,000,000?
2. **Imagine...** what life will be like in 20 years time.

## **2** Linking Words and Phrases

You need to use linking words and phrases between sentences and within sentences.

Here are some linking words that are used within a sentence.

**when as soon as because although and but so**

Note their position and the use of commas in the sentences below.

**When** I turned 18, I bought a motorcycle. I'll tell him **when** I see him.

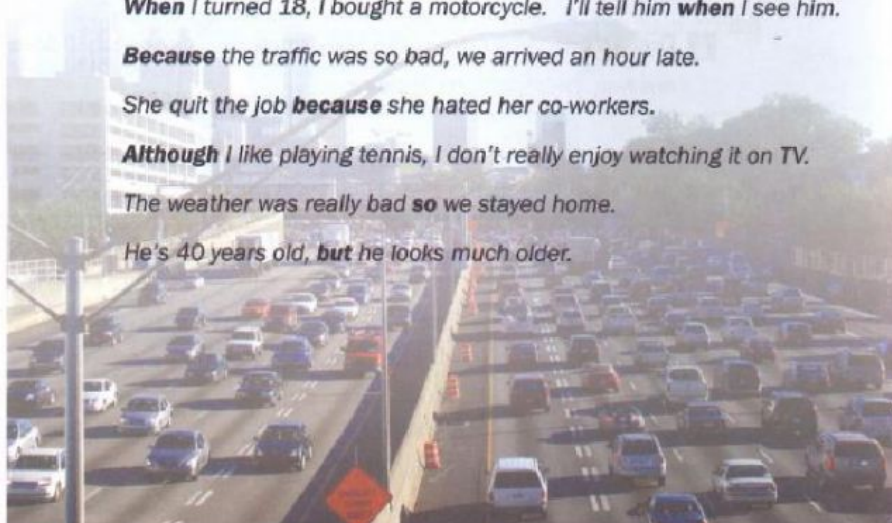
**Because** the traffic was so bad, we arrived an hour late.

She quit the job **because** she hated her co-workers.

**Although** I like playing tennis, I don't really enjoy watching it on TV.

The weather was really bad **so** we stayed home.

He's 40 years old, **but** he looks much older.



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The linking words below go between sentences. We usually use them at the beginning of sentences and put a comma after them.

**example** for instance, for example,

*My boss is really mean. **For example**, he makes us bring our own soap and toilet paper.*

**additional idea** moreover, furthermore, in addition,

*He is really stingy. **Moreover**, he is extremely dishonest.*

**contrast** however, in contrast, on the contrary,

*Sue is very sociable and outgoing. **In contrast**, her sister is very shy.*

**cause** as a result, therefore, consequently,

*The price of petrol is very high. **As a result**, more people are cycling to work.*

**adding emphasis** in fact, in particular,

*He's a heavy smoker. **In fact**, he smokes about two packs a day.  
I like watching old films. **In particular**, I love black-and-white films from the 1940s.*

### 3 Complete the sentences about clothes with words from the box.

for example	so	in particular	although	when
because	as soon as	in addition	as a result	

1. My favourite colour for shirts is blue. \_\_\_\_\_, I love dark blue.
2. \_\_\_\_\_ I work in a law firm, I have to wear a suit to work.
3. I wear a suit and tie during the week \_\_\_\_\_ it feels great to wear casual clothes at the weekend.
4. I've put on a lot of weight recently. \_\_\_\_\_, all my clothes are really tight.
5. I used to wear mini-skirts \_\_\_\_\_ I was younger.
6. \_\_\_\_\_ my grandmother is over seventy, she wears very fashionable clothes.
7. That shop has some really good discounts. \_\_\_\_\_, I bought a nice jacket for just \$20 there last week.
8. \_\_\_\_\_ I get home from school, I change out of my uniform.
9. That shop has some really nice shoes. \_\_\_\_\_, it has an excellent selection of handbags.