

Read Mark's letter again and complete the task that follows.

Dear _____ ,

Many thanks for your last letter. The new house sounds brilliant – how are you settling in? I'm sorry I haven't written sooner, but I've been really busy helping my parents out on the farm.

It's great fun, though I still haven't got used to getting up at six every morning to milk the cows! We often have the radio on while we're doing it, so it's not too bad. Then, once we've had breakfast, we tend to spend the rest of the day outside, either in the fields or looking after the sheep.

That reminds me, do you remember Lady, our oldest sheepdog? Well, she's just had puppies! If you're free in the summer, you could come and see them all and help with the harvest as well. Let me know if you can make it – we'd love to see you again.

Anyway, I must go, as it's getting late and tomorrow we've got another early start. Can't wait to hear from you.

Best wishes

Mark

Find and circle the following linking words in Mark's letter. Then use an appropriate linker from the box to complete the gaps in sentences 1–5. Each linker can be used more than once.

but - while - so - and - as well - as

1. You'll never guess what happened to me _____ I was shopping in the centre of town the other day!
2. I'm writing to ask you to do me a favour _____ I've got myself into trouble.
3. We're having a party next Saturday _____ we were wondering if you'd like to come. Bring a friend _____.
4. I'd love to accept your invitation, _____ I'm afraid I'm going to be busy.
5. I haven't got any plans _____ I'll certainly be able to go.