

2C GRAMMAR time sequencers and connectors

a Match the sentence halves and **circle** the correct word: **so**, **but**, **because**, or **although**.

- 1 The weather was awful, **g**
- 2 I didn't give him my phone number
- 3 Paul came to work
- 4 It was her birthday,
- 5 Jake is an intelligent student,
- 6 I ran to the shop
- 7 They didn't want to dance,
- 8 We didn't go anywhere special,
- 9 It was a sad story
- 10 We drove along the street very slowly,

- a **so** / **but** I invited her to dinner.
- b **because** / **although** it had a happy ending.
- c **but** / **so** we couldn't find the house.
- d **because** / **although** I didn't want him to call me.
- e **although** / **because** he was ill.
- f **so** / **but** we had a wonderful evening.
- g **but** / **so** we didn't go out.
- h **although** / **because** I was in a hurry.
- i **because** / **but** he's very lazy.
- j **so** / **because** they left the club early.

b Complete the story with the time sequencers and connectors from the list.

although (x2) because (x3) but (x2) the next day one evening so (x3) suddenly two minutes later when

Don't always listen to the satnav...

Oscar Peters never wanted a satnav¹ because he didn't like technology. And² _____ his brother gave him one as a birthday present, it directed him into a difficult situation.

'My brother Jez loves gadgets and technology. Last year, he gave me a satnav for my birthday,³ _____ he knew I didn't really want one. Jez uses his satnav all the time⁴ _____ he likes listening to instructions,⁵ _____ I prefer using a map.

⁶ _____, a friend of a friend phoned. She needed my help,⁷ _____ I agreed to drive to her house. ⁸ _____ I had a map in the car, I decided to use the satnav to find her village. It was dark, and I wanted to get there as quickly as possible.

Everything was going fine. I was nearly there, but then⁹ _____ I saw there was a small river



on the left. I could see that there was a road which went through the water to the other side of the river. The satnav said 'Turn left!',¹⁰ _____ I followed the instruction and turned left into the water. The satnav said 'Go straight on!', but¹¹ _____ my car was completely stuck in the mud. I had my phone with me,¹² _____ I phoned my friend and she came to the river to help. I felt terrible¹³ _____ she got very cold and wet in the water.

¹⁴ _____ a tractor pulled my car out of the river,¹⁵ _____ it was completely ruined by the water. I can't believe I made such a stupid – and expensive – mistake!

ACTIVATION

Complete the sentences with your own ideas.

Although Jack was very good looking,...
The party was really boring, so...
I enjoyed the film, but...

We decided to eat out because...
Louisa met her husband when...
I was watching TV when