

## CONNECTORS OF PURPOSE: TO, IN ORDER TO, SO THAT

- **In order to** and **to** are usually followed by the **infinitive** form of the verb.

- *I work in order to earn some money*

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- **So that** is normally followed by a **noun** or **pronoun**.

- *I work so that I earn some money*

### 1. Choose the correct connector of purpose

- a) The robbers wore masks **so that / to** hide their faces
- b) We did what the robber said **so that / in order to** we wouldn't get hurt.
- c) The witness went to the police station **in order to / so that** help the police.
- d) The artist asked us questions **to / so that** he could draw the suspect
- e) The policeman studied the crime scene **in order to / so that** understand what had happened.
- f) **In order to / so that** get to the theatre on time, we should leave now.
- g) **So / In order to** get a better price, Jack bought the computer online.
- h) The museum was closed **to / so that** the police could look for evidence related to the theft.
- i) They are installing cameras **in order to / so that** improve security.
- j) The guard in the shop usually looks in people's bags **so that / to** make sure they haven't been shoplifted.

### 2. Complete the sentences with a suitable connector of purpose (so that / in order to / to). There may be more than one possible answer.

- a) We called the police immediately \_\_\_\_\_ report the robbery.
- b) Everyone was quiet \_\_\_\_\_ the armed man wouldn't get upset.
- c) They had planned everything carefully \_\_\_\_\_ there would be no mistakes.
- d) The robbers needed inside help \_\_\_\_\_ get the code for the safe.
- e) He locked us in the house \_\_\_\_\_ we couldn't follow him.
- f) The thieves had a fast car \_\_\_\_\_ get away quickly.
- g) We opened the safe so that / in order to we could take out the money.
- h) \_\_\_\_\_ call the police dial 999 on your phone.
- i) The robbers took our mobiles \_\_\_\_\_ we couldn't call the police.
- j) The police held a press conference \_\_\_\_\_ update everyone on the investigation.