

# 97 Link words (1)

## A Giving more information

These words give more information.

| Word            | Example   | Meaning   |
|-----------------|---|---|
| and             | The city centre is dirty <b>and</b> very expensive.   | links two ideas in one sentence, sometimes with a comma (,)                       |
| also            | The centre is dirty.<br>{ It's <b>also</b> very expensive.<br>It <b>also</b> costs a lot to live there. } | goes after auxiliary verbs, e.g. <i>be, can</i> , but before the main verb        |
| too and as well | The centre is dirty.<br>{ It's very expensive<br>It costs a lot to live there } <b>too. as well.</b>      | go at the end of the sentence<br>Too and as well are used more in spoken English. |

### 1 Are *also*, *too* and *as well* in the correct position? Put a tick (✓) or a cross (X). Then correct the mistakes.

- You need a dictionary, and as well a grammar book is useful. X and a grammar book is useful as well.
- The house is beautiful, and it's near the park also. ....
  - He speaks German, and he understands too Greek. ....
  - We went out for dinner and Lucy came as well. ....
  - I cleaned the house and washed also the car. ....
  - She worked in Rome, and I think she worked in Ravenna too. ....
  - We've got a big garden, and there's as well a park near the house. ....

### 2 Put the words in the correct order to make sentences.

- too / and it's good / the weather's / in autumn / nice / in winter  
The weather's nice in autumn and it's good in winter too.
- I often eat / ice cream / cake / also / like / and I  
I often eat .....
  - I enjoy / and I go / too / watching tv / to the cinema a lot  
I enjoy .....
  - I can speak / German / as well / understand / English / I can / and  
I can speak .....
  - I read a lot / also / and I / music / of books / listen to  
I read a lot .....
  - and / on TV / I play / I watch it / as well / football  
I play .....
  - I drive / too / a lot / and / I / walk  
I drive .....

### 3 ABOUT YOU Are the sentences in Exercise 2 true for you or your country? Write your answers, or talk to another student.

- The weather's nice in autumn and it's good in winter too.  
That's not true. The weather in winter is very cold and it rains a lot as well.
- .....
  - .....
  - .....
  - .....
  - .....
  - .....



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## B Introducing a surprising idea

These words link two ideas when the second idea is surprising after the first idea.

| Word                   | Example  | Meaning  |
|------------------------|--|--|
| <b>but</b>             | <i>We had sunny weather, <b>but</b> it was quite cold.<br/>He worked hard, <b>but</b> he didn't pass the exam.</i>   | links two ideas, usually in one sentence. Sometimes there is a comma (,) with a longer sentence.   |
| <b>however</b>         | <i>We had sunny weather. <b>However</b>, it was quite cold.<br/>He worked hard. <b>However</b>, he didn't pass the exam.</i>   | links two ideas, usually in two different sentences. There is a comma after <b>however</b> . <b>However</b> is more formal than <b>but</b> .   |
| <b>although/though</b> | <i><b>Although</b> we had sunny weather, it was quite cold, especially in the morning.<br/>He worked hard, <b>although</b> he didn't pass the exam.<br/>I went to the party. I was quite tired, <b>though</b>.</i> | (the second part sounds like go) links two ideas in one sentence. <b>Although</b> often goes at the beginning of the sentence, but can go in the middle, after a comma. In spoken English, you often use <b>though</b> . |

### SPOTLIGHT *still*

You can use **still** to make the second idea a bigger surprise:

- We had sunny weather, **but** it was **still** quite cold in the evenings.
- He worked hard. **However**, he **still** didn't pass the exam.

#### 4 Rewrite the sentences using the link word in CAPITALS.

- The exam was easy. I didn't pass. **HOWEVER** The exam was easy. However, I didn't pass.
- 1 He went to bed late. He couldn't sleep. **BUT** .....
- 2 People don't like her very much. She's very kind. **HOWEVER** .....
- 3 The food was terrible. The service was good. **ALTHOUGH** .....
- 4 It was snowing. We decided to go out. **BUT/STILL** .....
- 5 We lost our dog. We found it after an hour. **HOWEVER** .....
- 6 I wore a coat. I was cold. **ALTHOUGH/STILL** .....
- 7 I watched the whole programme. I didn't enjoy it. **THOUGH** .....
- 8 We had a big lunch. Jason was hungry. **HOWEVER/STILL** .....

#### 5 Make six sentences or pairs of sentences from the table using **but** or **however**.

|                           |                 |                                       |
|---------------------------|-----------------|---------------------------------------|
| ► I didn't feel well. ✓   |                 | I only had to wait five minutes.      |
| I was really hungry,      |                 | I stayed at work to finish the job.   |
| I was last in the queue.  |                 | someone lent me a jacket.             |
| I was very cold.          | <b>but</b>      | I had to wait until 10.00 for dinner. |
| I was very frightened,    | <b>However,</b> | someone held my hand.                 |
| I was late for the party. |                 | I was fine the next day. ✓            |
| I was really tired.       |                 | everybody was still there.            |

- I didn't feel well. However, I was fine the next day.

#### 6 Complete the sentences in a way that makes sense.

- I took my umbrella but it didn't rain.
- 1 Everyone says it's a great film, though .....
- 2 Although it was raining, .....
- 3 The dog looked dangerous but .....
- 4 Although she was ill, .....
- 5 She's very intelligent. However, .....
- 6 I thought the shop was open. However, .....



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