

# 97) Link words (1)

## A Giving more information

These words give more information.

Word	Example	Meaning
and	<i>The city centre is dirty and very expensive.</i>	links two ideas in one sentence, sometimes with a comma (,)
also	<i>The centre is dirty. It's also very expensive.</i> <i>It also costs a lot to live there.</i>	goes after auxiliary verbs, e.g. <i>be, can</i> , but before the main verb
too and as well	<i>The centre is dirty. It's very expensive too.</i> <i>It costs a lot to live there as well.</i>	go at the end of the sentence 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 (✗). Then correct the mistakes.

► You need a dictionary, and as well a grammar book is useful.  *and a grammar book is useful as well.*

1 The house is beautiful, and it's near the park also.

2 He speaks German, and he understands too Greek.

3 We went out for dinner and Lucy came as well.

4 I cleaned the house and washed also the car.

5 She worked in Rome, and I think she worked in Ravenna too.

6 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.*

1 I often eat / ice cream / cake / also / like / and I  
I often eat .....

2 I enjoy / and I go / too / watching tv / to the cinema a lot  
I enjoy .....

3 I can speak / German / as well / understand / English / I can / and  
I can speak .....

4 I read a lot / also / and I / music / of books / listen to  
I read a lot .....

5 and / on TV / I play / I watch it / as well / football  
I play .....

6 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.*

1 .....

2 .....

3 .....

4 .....

5 .....

6 .....



## B Introducing a surprising idea

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

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

### 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.	but	I had to wait until 10.00 for dinner.
I was very frightened,	However,	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 <u>it didn't rain.</u>	.....
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,	.....

### TEST YOURSELF