

## 2 Connectors

We stayed in a lovely village **and** we went swimming every day. Lola didn't swim **because** the water was really cold!

### Language focus

**And, but, so** and **because** are **connectors**. Use them to join two parts of a sentence.

Use **and** and **but** to connect two ideas. Use **but** when the second idea is different to the first. Use a comma before **but**.

*We had picnics in the fields **and** we walked through the forest.*

*I liked having picnics, **but** I didn't like walking through the forest*

Use **because** and **so** to talk about the reasons for an action.

Use a comma before **so**.

*I was tired, **so** I went home.      I went home **because** I was tired.*



### 1 Circle the correct connectors to complete the sentences.

- 1 We went to the village \_\_\_\_\_ we climbed the mountain.  
a so                      b and                      c but
- 2 We walked by the river, \_\_\_\_\_ we didn't swim in it.  
a but                      b because                      c and
- 3 We wanted to go on the river, \_\_\_\_\_ we took a boat to the island.  
a but                      b and                      c so
- 4 We went back to the village early \_\_\_\_\_ Mum was sleepy.  
a because                      b and                      c so

- 2 Complete the poem with *and*, *so*, *but* or *because*.

## The Park Poem

It was a beautiful day,  
(1) So we all went to play.  
We laughed (2) \_\_\_\_\_ we joked quite a lot.  
We sat in the shade  
Of a towering tree  
(3) \_\_\_\_\_ we were hungry and hot.  
After sandwiches, chocolate,  
Bananas and more,  
We were sleepy, (4) \_\_\_\_\_ then Ricky said,  
'I don't know about you,  
My two favourite friends,  
(5) \_\_\_\_\_ I think I'm ready for bed.'



- 3 Complete the sentences with your own ideas.

### My Weekend

On Friday, I did my homework and (1) had my dinner. I didn't go to the cinema  
because (2) \_\_\_\_\_. On Saturday morning, I was really hungry,  
so (3) \_\_\_\_\_. On Saturday afternoon, I went to Dominic's birthday party,  
but (4) \_\_\_\_\_. On Sunday morning, it was sunny, so (5) \_\_\_\_\_.  
I usually go to my grandparents' house on Sunday afternoons, but last Sunday  
(6) \_\_\_\_\_ because \_\_\_\_\_. On Sunday evening, I watched  
TV and (7) \_\_\_\_\_. I went to bed early because (8) \_\_\_\_\_.