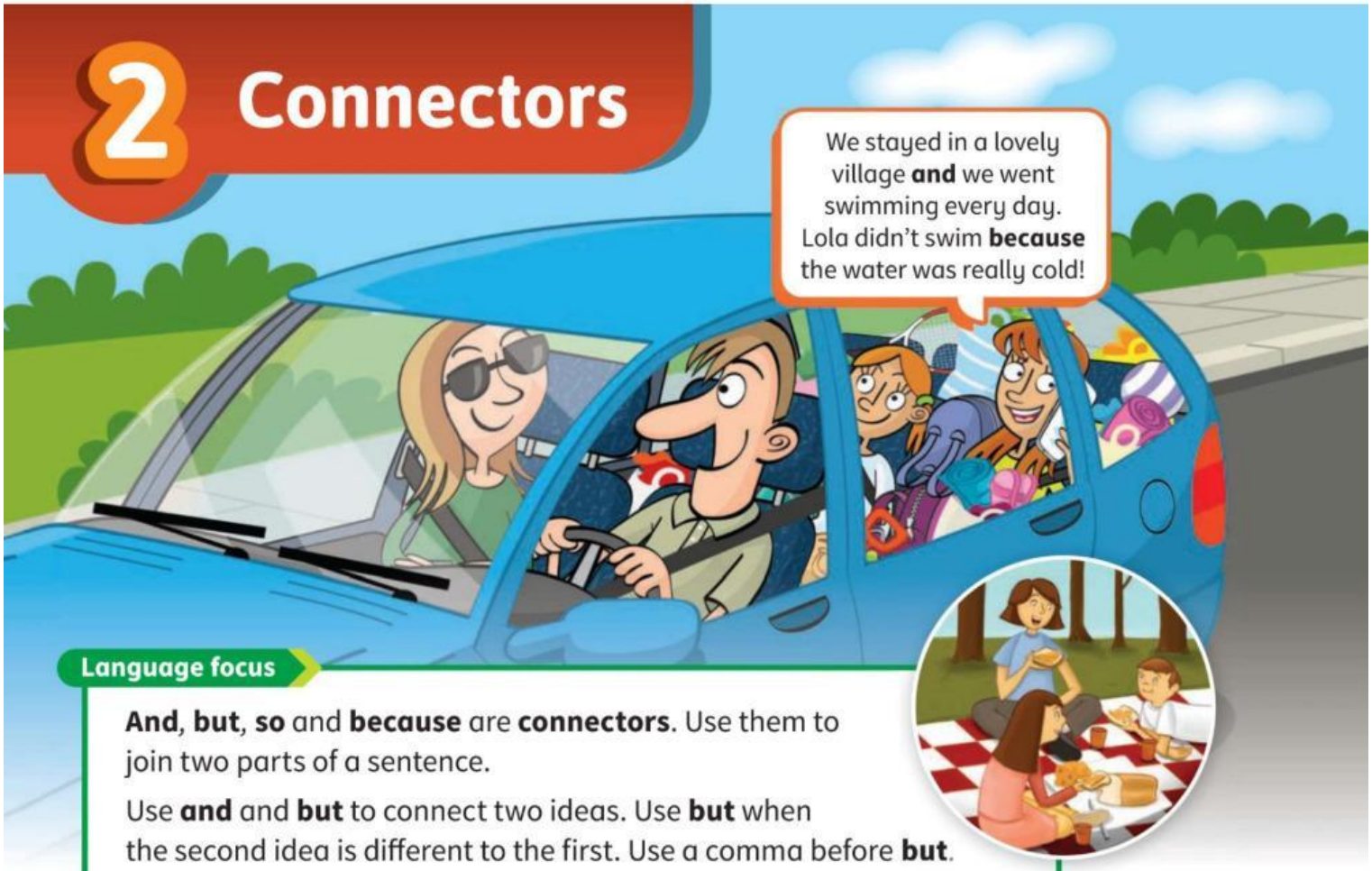
2 Connectors



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

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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) _____.

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