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## Conjunctions and connectives

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You can use conjunctions to join two sentences, or two parts of a sentence. They help you to show the relationship / connection between the two parts of a sentence. Some basic conjunctions are:

*after, although, and, because, before, but, if, or, so, when*

If you want to make connections between words and phrases, you can use other connecting words such as:

*also, as well, even, like, only, than, too*

b. Choose the right word to complete the sentence.

1. I stayed at home **and / after / or** watched television.
2. I usually drive to work **so / but / and** I went by bus this morning.
3. Do you want to go out **because / or / if** are you tired?
4. We love films **so / because / although** we often go to the cinema.
5. She sleeps **even / also / only** four hours every night.
6. I like Italian restaurants and my husband loves them **as well / even / only**.
7. I went to bed early **although / because / so** I was tired.
8. She did not get the job **if / because / although** she had the right qualifications.
9. He works harder **even / than / like** everyone else in the office.
10. I will lend him the money **when / if / although** he agrees to return it in a month.

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d. Fill in the gaps with **also, as well, even, like, only, than too**. Use each only once.

I really enjoy cooking and my husband likes cooking \_\_\_\_\_. All my family like cooking. \_\_\_\_\_ my ten-year-old son cooks dinner once a week. He cooks \_\_\_\_\_ a real chef! \_\_\_\_\_ my daughter doesn't like cooking at all. They say that I cook better \_\_\_\_\_ my mother. I \_\_\_\_\_ like to make my own bread and my own wine \_\_\_\_\_!

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f. Read this text about the Open University and choose the correct word a, b, c or d for each space.

At the Open University, you get as much support as you personally need. 1) \_\_\_\_\_ you haven't studied for a while, we'll help you get started. And 2) \_\_\_\_\_ if you have, you'll still be glad to know that help is always there for you. All you need have is an enthusiasm for your studies 3) \_\_\_\_\_ a willingness to learn. We have 13 local offices around the UK 4) \_\_\_\_\_ we will put you in touch with your nearest OU centre from the start. You'll 5) \_\_\_\_\_ have a personal tutor who is a specialist in the subject you want to study. You can talk over the phone, face to face, via e-mail 6) \_\_\_\_\_ computer conference. As the course progresses, you can meet and exchange ideas with other students 7) \_\_\_\_\_. Your tutor will give you regular guidance and assessment 8) \_\_\_\_\_ you will know how your studies are getting on and you will feel sure about how much you progress. Remember, 9) \_\_\_\_\_ you join the OU, you're never alone - more students register every year with the OU 0) \_\_\_\_\_ with any other UK university.

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| 1.  | a) But      | b) If       | c) After | d) So    |
| 2.  | a) when     | b) although | c) even  | d) or    |
| 3.  | a) and      | b) so       | c) also  | d) than  |
| 4.  | a) but      | b) because  | c) when  | d) so    |
| 5.  | a) although | b) also     | c) when  | d) only  |
| 6.  | a) as well  | b) only     | c) even  | d) or    |
| 7.  | a) as well  | b) even     | c) than  | d) after |
| 8.  | a) because  | b) although | c) so    | d) but   |
| 9.  | a) before   | b) when     | c) even  | d) like  |
| 10. | a) also     | b) only     | c) than  | d) and   |