

REVIEW

Conjunctions join words, phrases, clauses and sentences.

Review these.

'and' and 'as well as' **join two similar ideas**

- Oranges **and** pears are fruit.
- Benny excels in sports **as well as** in studies.
- Tom, **as well as** Jerry, is helping me.

'but' and 'although' **join two words or sentences with two different ideas**

- Susan is tall **but** her friend is short.
- Summer is hot **but** winter is cold.
- **Although** Dick was tired, he did not rest.
- The elderly patient did not complain **although** he was in great pain.

'because', 'for' and 'as' **show reason**

- Carol did not go to school **because** she was sick.
- The man could hardly walk **because** he was weak and hungry.
- I did not help my sister with her work **for** I was very busy.
- We stayed at home **as** it was raining.
- I went to bed immediately **as** I was exhausted.

'or' and 'either ... or' show an alternative, a choice between two ideas

'neither ... nor', in a negative sense, shows two ideas that are not true or possible

- You can have jam **or** butter on your bread.
- **Either** Mary **or** Susan has to cook dinner.
- You can go with **either** Peter **or** Paul.
- **Neither** Eric **nor** his brother is interested in chess.
- My grandparents can **neither** speak English **nor** Mandarin.

'so' and 'therefore' show the result of an action

- The workers were tired **so** they took a rest.
- The road was badly flooded **so** we couldn't proceed any further.
- I didn't know the answer, **therefore** I asked the teacher.
- It rained, **therefore** the basketball match was postponed.