

Sentence Combining with *And*, *But*, *So*, *Or*

Teacher Instructions:

In this activity, students will practice combining simple sentences.

Tell students, “Today you will combine simple sentences using a connector word. We call these connector words conjunctions. We will be using the conjunctions *and*, *but*, *so*, and *or* to make our sentences more interesting and less choppy.”

Tell students to do the following:

1. Read the two simple sentences.
2. Choose an appropriate conjunction that makes sense for communicating the ideas (*and*, *but*, *so*, or *or*).
3. Talk through the conjunction you chose aloud to yourself or with a partner.
4. Once ready, write the newly combined sentence.

Independent Practice Activity

Name _____ Date: _____

Sentence Combining

Sentence 1: I was hungry.	Sentence 2: I baked a cake.
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Conjunction: Circle one.

and but so or

New Combined Sentence:

Did I check my work?

☐ **Capital Letters**
 Did I use capital letters where they belong?

☐ **Understand**
 If I read this to someone else, would they understand it? (Does the conjunction make sense here?)

☐ **Punctuation**
 Did I use punctuation where it belongs?

☐ **Spelling**
 Did I spell all of my words correctly?

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Independent Practice Activity

Name _____ Date: _____

Sentence Combining

Sentence 1: My dog likes to play fetch.	Sentence 2: My dog likes to swim.
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Conjunction: Circle one.

and but so or

New Combined Sentence:

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I baked a cake.

Conjunction: Circle one.

and

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so

or

New Combined Sentence:

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