

**Year 5****Coordinating Conjunctions: Expanding to FANBOYS**

Remember: FANBOYS stands for For, And, Nor, But, Or, Yet, So. These are coordinating conjunctions used to join two main clauses (independent thoughts) together to make a compound sentence.

Part 1: Clause Identification & Conjunction Choice

1. Circle the coordinating conjunction in the sentence below.
The weather forecast predicted heavy rain, yet the sun shone brightly all afternoon.
2. Underline the two main clauses (independent clauses) in the sentence below. *Hint: A main clause makes sense on its own.*
We wanted to go to the theme park, but the tickets were completely sold out.
3. Fill in the missing gap with the most appropriate FANBOYS conjunction.
Lila did not practice her violin, _____ did she complete her reading homework.
4. Tick one box to show where a comma should go in the sentence below:
The deep-sea divers prepared their oxygen tanks [] so [] they [] could explore the shipwreck safely.

Part 2: Sentence Construction

5. Rewrite the two simple sentences below as one compound sentence using the conjunction *for*. *Remember: In this context, "for" means "because".*
The ancient castle was locked tightly. No one had visited it for centuries.

6. Complete the compound sentence below by adding a second main clause.
You can choose to present your history project as a poster, or

7. Rewrite this sentence using the conjunction *but* instead of *and*. Make sure the sentence still makes sense.
The explorer climbed to the peak of the mountain and she could not see anything through the thick fog.



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Part 3: SATs-Style Questions

8. Draw a line to match each sentence to the correct coordinating conjunction.

Sentence	Conjunction
The cake looked delicious, ___ it tasted far too salty.	so
The alarm rang loudly, ___ Tom woke up instantly.	but
I do not like eating Brussels sprouts, ___ do I like cabbage.	nor

9. Which sentence uses a coordinating conjunction correctly? Tick one.

- I wore my heavy winter coat, although it was freezing outside.
- The puppy was incredibly clumsy, so it kept knocking over the shoes.
- Because the bell rang, the children lined up quietly in the playground.
- We went to the beach, while my brother stayed home to play video games.

10. Complete the table by ticking the correct box for each sentence.

Sentence	Is it a compound sentence? (Yes / No)
The children played football until it grew dark outside.	
Inside the wooden chest, we found an old map and a silver key.	
The spaceship landed safely on Mars, so the astronauts cheered.	