

Parts of Speech - Conjunctions

- Almost all words have a “part of speech”. Which part of speech a word has depends on how it is used in a sentence. Here is a list of the eight parts of speech:

Noun Verb Adjective Adverb Conjunction Preposition Pronoun Interjection

Conjunction: A conjunction is a word or phrase that shows the relationship between two words, phrases, or clauses of equal rank. The relationship may give information about time, reason, agreement/disagreement, or order of events.



Example: I will buy milk and eggs.

In this example, the word “and” is a conjunction because it is used to show the relationship between the words “milk” and “eggs”.

Example: We want to go to the movie, but we don’t have enough money.

In this example, the word “but” is a conjunction because it is used to show the relationship between the words “We want to go to the movie” and “we don’t have enough money”.

Example: You must study hard in order to pass the exam.

In this example, the words “in order to” are a conjunction because they are used to show the relationship between the words “You must study hard” and “pass the exam”.

Directions: Underline the conjunctions in the following sentences.

- 1) Jones made a cake before the dinner party.
- 2) He is a good basketball player because he is very tall.
- 3) We will go only if our friend can come too.
- 4) I am very athletic, but I cannot play soccer or tennis very well.
- 5) Even if it is raining, I will not take my umbrella.
- 6) I need milk, eggs, towels, and oranges from the grocery store.
- 7) After we are finished with the test, can we go outside?
- 8) Your friends can come over whenever they want to.
- 9) Although we played hard, we still lost the game.
- 10) I practice English often, for that is the best way to learn.
- 11) We need to make a reservation in order to eat at the new restaurant.
- 12) I know my mission is almost impossible, nevertheless I will try my best to accomplish it.
- 13) I am ready to go whenever you are.
- 14) Both me and my brother are going to the soccer game.
- 15) Either John or I will help you study for the test.
- 16) I will come even if I am late.
- 17) I have loved playing piano since I was a little girl.
- 18) The race will start once the whistle blows.
- 19) I still have no idea how to get to Mulberry St.
- 20) Rather than wait outside in the rain, we should wait inside their house

Directions: Now make your own sentences below. Try to use conjunctions.

1) _____

2) _____