L.O. I can use and punctuate main clauses correctly and use them to write compound sentences.

Handwriting Starter

They reached the river crossing just after dawn had broken and found a sun-dappled space to sit, eat and rest a while before crossing the water into the part of the forest inhabited by outlaws. Robin stood and stretched before retrieving his pack, his quiver and his bow. "Come on!" He said to Will, who lay napping on the heather and he nudged him with the toe of his boot. "How much longer is it?" said Will screwing up his face and shielding his eyes from the low hanging sun, "We've been walking all night!"



What is a clause?

A clause is a group of words that includes a subject and a verb.

There are two types of clauses, independent clauses and subordinate clauses.

What is a subject?

What is a verb?

What is a main/independent clause?

A simple sentence is a group of words that expresses one complete thought. Every simple sentence must contain a **subject** and a **verb**. They can also be called a **main** or **independent** clause.

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Can you spot the subjects and the verbs in these main/independent clauses?

Copy into your book. Underline S in blue, V in purple.

My brother's dog barks a lot.

Does he play tennis?

The train leaves every morning.

I drink coffee every day.

My dad never works at the weekend.

She doesn't teach Chemistry.

He brushes his teeth twice a day.

I go for a walk at night.









What is a conjunction?

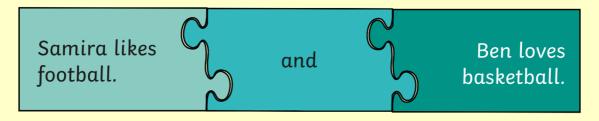
What is the job of a conjunction?

Why do you think it is good to include them in our writing?



Co-Ordinating Conjunctions

Both of these main/independent clauses make sense on their own.

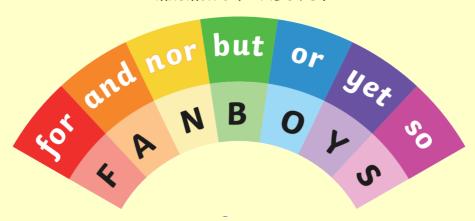


When we link them together with a co-ordinating conjunction, they form a

A ______is made up of two main/independent clauses and a co-ordinating conjunction.

Co-Ordinating Conjunctions

There are seven co-ordinating conjunctions that we can remember using the mnemonic 'FANBOYS'.



So, if two sentences make sense on their own then we can link them together using a co-ordinating conjunction to make a compound sentence.

Co-Ordinating Conjunctions

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FANBOYS Conjunctions with meanings and sentences

For	Because	Sam drank some water, for he was thirsty.
And	In addition to	I take milk and sugar in my tea.
Nor	And not	Sara doesn't like apples, nor does she like pears.
But	However	All the children wanted to eat pizza, but no one wanted to buy it
Or	Either	We could go to a zoo, or we could go to a theme park.
Yet	But	The weather was cold and wet, yet we enjoyed very much.
So	Therefore	He is sick, 50 he is not going to the school.



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- 1. Sarah played on the swings.
- 2. Paul went to the shop to buy an apple.
- 3. My sister is younger than me.
- 4. The train leaves in ten minutes.
- 5. Do you eat ice cream?
- 6. You have school work to do.
- 7. I love my new pets.
- 8. My mum walks to work.