GRADE 5 ENGLISH WORKSHEET

Coordinating Conjunctions: FANBOYS

Name: _____ **Date:** _____

Learning Goal: Use coordinating conjunctions to join words, phrases and complete sentences.

Remember: FANBOYS

Letter	Conjunction	Use	Example
F	For	Gives a reason	I took a coat, for it was cold.
A	And	Adds information	Sara read a book, and Ali drew a picture.
N	Nor	Adds another negative idea	He did not call, nor did he send a message.
B	But	Shows contrast	I was tired, but I finished my homework.
O	Or	Shows a choice	Would you like tea, or would you prefer juice?
Y	Yet	Shows a surprising contrast	The task was difficult, yet she completed it.
S	So	Shows a result	It was raining, so we stayed indoors.

Tip: When joining two complete sentences with a coordinating conjunction, usually place a comma before the conjunction.

A. Choose the correct conjunction

Choose from: **and, but, or, so, yet, for, nor.** Write the best conjunction in each blank.

1. I wanted to play outside, _____ it began to rain.

2. Maya packed her notebook _____ her pencil case.

3. You can finish the poster today, _____ you can complete it tomorrow.

4. The road was blocked, _____ we took another route.

5. Omar was nervous, _____ he spoke clearly during the presentation.

6. I wore a jacket, _____ the weather was cold.

7. She did not complain, _____ did she ask for help.

B. Join the sentences

Join each pair using the conjunction given in brackets. Remember punctuation.

1. The library was closing. We hurried to borrow our books. **(so)**

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2. Liam likes football. Liam does not enjoy basketball. **(but)**

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B. Join the sentences

3. You may draw a picture. You may write a poem. **(or)**

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4. The team practised every day. The team improved its performance. **(and)**

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C. Correct the mistakes

Rewrite each sentence correctly. Check the conjunction and punctuation.

1. The sun was setting so we returned home.

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2. I wanted to join the game but, I had to finish my work.

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3. He did not smile, or did he laugh.

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4. The cake looked delicious, yet and everyone wanted a slice.

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D. Write your own sentences

Write one complete sentence for each conjunction. Use a different idea each time.

And:

_____

But:

_____

Or:

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So:

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Yet:

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Challenge: Write two related sentences and join them using **for** or **nor**. Make sure the meaning is clear.

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Check your work: I used a suitable conjunction. I joined complete sentences correctly. I checked capital letters and punctuation.