



How to Join Sentences Together and Make Them Interesting

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Why Join Sentences Together?

When you write, short sentences can feel choppy and boring. "I went to the shop. I bought milk. I came home." Sounds dull, right? By joining sentences together, you can make your writing flow better and sound more interesting. It also helps your reader understand how ideas connect to each other.

The Main Joining Words: Conjunctions

Conjunctions are words that stick sentences together like glue. The most common ones are **and**, **but**, **or**, and **because**. When you use these words, you can combine two simple sentences into one longer sentence that sounds much better.

Think of it like building with blocks. Two small blocks sitting next to each other don't make much of a structure, but when you glue them together, you create something stronger and more impressive.

For example: "I like pizza" and "I like pasta" become "I like pizza **and** pasta." Or "She wanted to go out" and "It was raining" become "She wanted to go out **but** it was raining."

Using "Because" to Show Why

The word **because** is special because it helps you explain **reasons**. Instead of writing two separate sentences, you can join them to show cause and effect. "I studied hard. I passed my test." becomes "I passed my test **because** I studied hard." This shows exactly why something happened.

Other Ways to Join Sentences

You can also use **linking words** like **however**, **therefore**, **also**, and **meanwhile**. These words help create variety in your writing. "He was tired. He kept working." can

become "He was tired; **however**, he kept working." Notice how this sounds more mature and interesting?

Think of it like recipes. A simple recipe with just one ingredient is boring, but mixing different flavours together creates something delicious. Mixing different joining words creates more flavourful writing.

Try It Yourself

Start practising by taking two short sentences from your own writing and joining them with **and**, **but**, **or**, or **because**. Soon it will become second nature. Your teachers and readers will notice how much stronger your writing becomes!