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Conjunctions

A **conjunction** is a word that joins together words, phrases, or sentences.

Example: Mr. Saber is a happy and fun-loving farmer. Although he is well into his fifties, he is like a kid at times. His wife wants him to grow up, but he prefers to be young at heart.

**A. Circle the conjunctions in the following sentences.**

1. Marie and Joseph arrived before Mrs. Saber had time to clean up the house.
2. Mrs. Johnston waited at the station until the sun went down.
3. The children left the beach only after it had started to rain.
4. Mrs. Morgan called to her son, "You're not going to be on time unless you hurry up!"
5. To get to Vancouver from Toronto, we can travel by plane or train.
6. The little kid said to his dad at the park, "Catch me if you can!"
7. Although the seats were not very comfortable on the train, Mrs. Simmons did not complain.
8. Mr. Saber is in a very good mood today because his favourite hen has laid a few eggs.
9. Mr. Saber has been a farmer since he was fifteen years old.
10. Catherine arrived at the train station and was so happy to see Wendy.



B. Fill in the blanks with the appropriate conjunctions.

because unless therefore
while still than although
so since but when if



1. Marie and Joseph did not want to leave _____ they would miss the animals on the farm.
2. Mrs. Saber did not like the roast she prepared, _____ everyone else enjoyed it.
3. Mr. and Mrs. Saber will not move to the city _____ there is a very good reason to do so.
4. _____ Marie and Joseph are city dwellers, they _____ visit their grandparents' farm every now and then.
5. Marie and Joseph will come back to the farm next weekend _____ the weather is nice.
6. The hen went back to sleep _____ Mr. Saber was not looking.
7. Marie and Joseph got stuck in traffic on their way back to the city; _____, they might be late getting home.
8. Marie and Joseph had forgotten that it was a long weekend, _____ they didn't need to rush home after all.



C. Some conjunctions are used in pairs. Complete each sentence with the appropriate pair.

either...or neither...nor not only...but also
both...and whether...or

1. Canada is _____ a big country _____ very cold in winter.
2. Carly said to Mel, " _____ you are mistaken _____ I am."
3. The students in Mrs. Peters's class _____ love _____ respect her.
4. The Simpsons do not mind _____ they stay _____ move to another house.
5. "Things are _____ good _____ bad; only thinking makes them so," a teacher said to Bob, who had a puzzled look on his face.
6. It doesn't matter _____ it rains tomorrow _____ if it is sunny; we will still go to the party.
7. Tomorrow is _____ my birthday _____ Mira's birthday.
8. It is _____ necessary _____ is it a good idea to go out in that terrible storm.
9. The musicians are _____ excited _____ nervous about their concert later this evening.



D. Combine the sentences into one using a suitable conjunction.

1. You can run. You can't hide.

2. Maggie will meet us at the skating rink. It is close to her house.

3. Tristan didn't finish his homework last night. He won't be able to go to the fair with us.

4. The blue team didn't win. They put forth their best effort.

5. Darryl didn't like the restaurant. Next time, he will eat somewhere else.

6. Mrs. Bryant bought three packages of cookies. They were on sale.

7. Allison and Peter didn't like the restaurant.
They are going to give it a try.

8. Hiking in the woods is fun. It is also good for you.

