

Varied Fluency

Step 3: Expanding Sentences using Conjunctions

National Curriculum Objectives:

English Year 3: (3G3.4) [Extending the range of sentences with more than one clause by using a wider range of conjunctions, including: when, if, because, although](#)

English Year 3: (3G1.4) [Express time, place and cause using conjunctions \[for example, when, before, after, while, so, because\]](#)

Differentiation:

Developing Questions to support knowledge and use of expanding sentences using conjunctions. Two options using time, place and causal conjunctions, and use of simple clauses.

Expected Questions to support knowledge and use of expanding sentences using conjunctions. Three options using time, place and causal conjunctions, and use of expanded clauses.

Greater Depth Questions to support knowledge and use of expanding sentences using conjunctions. Three options using multiple time, place and causal conjunctions, and some use of multiple expanded clauses.

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Expanding Sentences using Conjunctions

1a. Underline the conjunction in the sentence below.

I washed my hands because I was eating my meal.



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2a. Circle the sentence that uses a conjunction.

Ellie walked home happily.

Ellie could not see if anybody was home.



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3a. Complete the sentence with the correct conjunction.

so

because

Semeena bought her mum a present _____ it was her birthday.



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4a. Circle the correct clause which could be written after the conjunction.

Kian went to bed although

he didn't feel tired.

he picks up his toy.



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Expanding Sentences using Conjunctions

1b. Underline the conjunction in the sentence below.

Anton went to the front so that he could see.



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2b. Circle the sentence that uses a conjunction.

Tom felt angry because he lost the game.

Tom wanted to throw his sheet away.



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3b. Complete the sentence with the correct conjunction.

despite

if

You need to leave the building _____ the fire alarm sounds.



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4b. Circle the correct clause which could be written after the conjunction.

She went to play football because

all the people cheering.

she loved the sport.



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Expanding Sentences using Conjunctions

5a. Underline the conjunction in the sentence below.

Sarah sat nervously watching the runners until it was her turn to join the race.



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6a. Circle the sentence that uses a conjunction.

Leo ran quickly back to his house.

Leo waved to his friend when he saw him.

Leo had not remembered his coat.



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7a. Complete the sentence with the correct conjunction.

after

so

although

Haroon did not want to go to the busy party _____ tiring himself out.



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8a. Circle the correct clause which could be written after the conjunction.

He was still wide awake because

he was nervous about school.

the clock struck 1.



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5b. Underline the conjunction in the sentence below.

Mary skipped happily to the park after school had finished.



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6b. Circle the sentence that uses a conjunction.

Jill fell over while she was racing.

Jill was the winner in her class.

Jill felt excited about telling her parents.



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7b. Complete the sentence with the correct conjunction.

but

when

while

We should all go to the disco at the same time _____ we are ready.



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8b. Circle the correct clause which could be written after the conjunction.

The lady walked her dog before

the sun went down.

it could get some exercise.



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Expanding Sentences using Conjunctions

9a. Underline the conjunctions in the sentence below.

I walked across the field where I saw an old mill before I went home.



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10a. Circle the sentence that uses two conjunctions.

Robin bought a large, delicious ice-cream before visiting her friend. She asked for sprinkles and a chocolate flake. Robin felt unwell after eating her ice-cream, despite really enjoying it.



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11a. Complete the sentence with the correct conjunctions.

so

but

until

Sami went to the cinema _____ she forgot her purse _____ she couldn't watch the film.



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12a. Circle the correct clause which could be written after the conjunction.

Emma likes to shop whenever

on the weekend.

there is a sale.

in her favourite shop.



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Expanding Sentences using Conjunctions

9b. Underline the conjunctions in the sentence below.

Annie sat on the floor while eating her dinner, but she had forgotten her drink.



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10b. Circle the sentence that uses two conjunctions.

Tom jogged quickly until he got to school because he wanted to arrive early. His homework was still not finished and was late. Tom went to the library where he found a quiet corner to work.



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11b. Complete the sentence with the correct conjunctions.

although

after

while

We all had a great time _____ school at the park _____ we didn't get to stay for very long.



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12b. Circle the correct clause which could be written after the conjunction.

He wore his favourite hat whenever

at the park.

he does not go to school.

he went to his friend's house.



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Developing

1a. I washed my hands **because** I was eating my meal.

2a. **Ellie could not see if anybody was home.**

3a. **because**

4a. **he didn't feel tired**

Expected

5a. Sarah sat nervously watching the runners **until** it was her turn to join the race.

6a. **Leo waved to his friend when he saw him.**

7a. **after**

8a. **he was nervous about school**

Greater Depth

9a. I walked across the field **where** I saw an old mill **before** I went home.

10a. **Robin felt unwell after eating her ice-cream, despite really enjoying it.**

11a. Sami went to the cinema **but** she forgot her purse **so** she couldn't watch the film.

12a. **there is a sale**

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Developing

1b. Anton went to the front **so that** he could see.

2b. **Tom felt angry because he lost the game.**

3b. **if**

4b. **she loved the sport**

Expected

5b. Mary skipped happily to the park **after** school had finished.

6b. **Jill fell over while she was racing.**

7b. **when**

8b. **the sun went down**

Greater Depth

9b. Annie sat on the floor **while** eating her dinner **but**, she had forgotten her drink.

10b. **Tom jogged quickly until he got to school because he wanted to arrive early.**

11b. We all had a great time **after** school at the park **although** we didn't get to stay for very long.

12b. **he went to his friend's house**