



Connectives

Here are some one-word connectives.

and	but	when	because
so	for	as	though



Choose a different one of these connectives to link each of the paired sentences below. Remember: Connectives are words or phrases that link together different parts of a text. Connectives that link sentences, clauses, or parts of phrases are called *conjunctions*.

I fell over. I hurt my knee. _____

The game ended. The referee blew his whistle. _____

She couldn't ride her bike. It had a puncture. _____

I couldn't spell that word. I looked the dictionary. _____

We arrived on time. The train was delayed. _____

Here are some words and phrases that can also be used as connectives.

also	however	this means	for example	as this
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Fit the connectives above into the spaces in these three paragraphs.

Many kinds of words can be used to connect ideas in a piece of writing. For _____, conjunctions, adverbs, and prepositions are all useful.

_____ that we can make our writing more varied and more interesting to read. _____, the words we choose can help us to make our meaning clearer to our readers.

However, _____, we should try not to use too many of these connectives in a short piece. _____ can make our sentences long and confusing.