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# Linking words

Grammar worksheet · Ficha de gramática inglesa: los conectores (linking words)

## Remember!

| Use | Linking words |
|---|---|
| Addition | and, also, too, as well, in addition, moreover |
| Contrast | but, however, although, even though, despite, whereas |
| Cause | because, because of, due to |
| Result | so, therefore, as a result |
| Sequence | first, then, next, after that, finally |
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| Purpose | to, in order to, so that |

• although / because + subject + verb · despite / because of + noun or -ing.
• However, Therefore, Moreover and As a result usually start a new sentence and take a comma: However, it was too late.
• to / in order to + verb (I went out to buy bread) · so that + subject + verb (Speak slowly so that I can understand).

## 1 Circle the correct linking word.

Rodean el conector que encaja por el sentido y por lo que va detrás.

1. We stayed at home (because / because of) the storm.
2. (Although / Despite) being tired, Leo finished the race.
3. I don't like spiders. My brother doesn't like them (either / too).
4. I love pizza. My sister loves it (too / either).
5. The film was very long. (Because / However), it was really exciting.
6. Lucía speaks English (and / but) French.

## 2 Write each linking word in the correct column.

Escriben cada conector en la columna de su función: añadir, contrastar, dar la causa, dar el resultado u ordenar.

**to begin with** **consequently** **because of** **although** **thanks to** **also** **as a result** **too** **firstly** **in spite of**

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## 3 Join the sentences with the linking word in brackets.

Unen las dos frases con el conector del paréntesis, cuidando la puntuación y lo que va detrás de cada conector.

**Example:** It was cold. We went out. (although) → Although it was cold, we went out.

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   → _____

2. Ana plays the guitar. She sings. (also)

   → _____

3. My dad drinks coffee. My mum drinks tea. (whereas)

   → _____

4. I didn't study. I failed the test. (therefore)

   → _____

5. We went to the market. We wanted to buy fruit. (in order to)

   → _____

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## 4 Correct the mistakes.

Cada frase tiene un error con un conector: el conector equivocado, lo que va detrás o la puntuación. La escriben bien en la línea.

1. Whereas I like cats, but my brother likes dogs.

   → _____

2. I love sports as tennis and swimming.

   → _____

3. It was sunny. However, we went to the beach.

   → _____

4. Despite it was cold, we swam in the sea.

   → _____

5. Our teacher is very kind. However, she is very funny.

   → _____

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   → _____

## 5 Write about your last weekend. Use at least five linking words.

Escriben un párrafo sobre su último fin de semana con al menos cinco conectores (first, then, because, so, however, finally...).

First, _____

Then _____

After that, _____

However, _____

Finally, _____

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# Linking words · Answer key

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Respuesta libre. Ejemplo: First, I went to the park with my friends. Then we played football because it was sunny. After that, we had lunch at my grandma's house. However, in the afternoon it started to rain, so we watched a film. Finally, I went to bed early.