

Parallel Structure With Correlative Conjunctions #2

Correlative conjunctions work in pairs to show how words, clauses, or phrases relate to each other. Some common examples of correlative conjunctions are **both/and**, **either/or**, **neither/nor**, and **not only/but also**. When you use correlative conjunctions in a sentence, make sure that the words or phrases they connect have parallel structures.

Not Parallel

- Jeanine's puppy loves **both** napping **and** to look out the window.
[gerund] [infinitive]

Parallel

- Jeanine's puppy loves **both** napping **and** looking out the window.
[gerund] [gerund]
- Jeanine's puppy loves **both** to nap **and** to look out the window.
[infinitive] [infinitive]



Each sentence contains an error with the correlative conjunctions, impacting the parallel structure. Find and fix each error. The first sentence has been done for you.

offers both

- The downtown library ~~both offers~~ quiet study rooms and views of the municipal park.
- Marcia performed not only an original song for the talent show but also ~~did~~ her own choreography.
- The playwright's newest production is a lighthearted play that ~~neither is~~ **is neither** too serious nor too complex to understand.
- For our final hour at the theme park, we could either visit the gift shop or ~~we could~~ ride the roller coaster again.
- Lian had to choose either to spend her remaining arcade tickets on a small prize or **to save** ~~save~~ them for a bigger prize during her next visit.
- Neil's dentist recommended not only flossing routinely but also ~~to use~~ **using** a fluoride toothpaste to maintain a healthy smile.