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## ANSWERS

# Using Conjunctions to Connect Facts

A conjunction is a word that joins two words or phrases together.

A conjunction can join two independent clauses (two sentences). Usually a comma is needed before the conjunction.

**Example:** *All of us went to the movie, and we agreed it was funny.*

A conjunction is often used at the end of a list. Sometimes a comma (called a serial comma) is used before the conjunction.

**Example:** *We used blueberries, bananas, and strawberries in the smoothie.*

**Part 1** Complete each sentence using a conjunction in the word bank.

### Conjunction Word Bank

and    or    but    because



Waterspouts are most common in the Gulf of Mexico, but they have occurred in the tropics, as well.

A waterspout can happen on the ocean or on smaller bodies of water.

Tornadoes can be a threat to humans, and waterspouts can also be dangerous.

A waterspout can be dangerous because it can pick up things, such as animals or tree limbs, and drop them in other places.

A tornado is a storm that can cause destruction in its path, and winds can reach up to 300 mph!

Thunderstorms are formed because cool, dry air from the north and warm, moist air from the south meet.

**Part 2** Write two sentences that explain your classroom routines. Use one conjunction in each sentence. Then, underline each conjunction and circle any commas that came before the conjunction.

Sentence 1: Students' responses will vary.

Sentence 2: \_\_\_\_\_