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# 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, \_\_\_\_\_ they have occurred in the tropics, as well.

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

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

A waterspout can be dangerous \_\_\_\_\_ 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, \_\_\_\_\_ winds can reach up to 300 mph!

Thunderstorms are formed \_\_\_\_\_ 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: \_\_\_\_\_

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