

## Conjunctions: Identify, Insert, Use

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- 2 Mountain bike riders travel very fast when they ride downhill.
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- 6 Skydivers jump out of aeroplanes where they can complete a safe flight.

### B Explore conjunctions

Underline the best conjunction for each sentence.

- 1 Mountain bikes have big, ridged tyres **because/when** they need to have good grip.
- 2 Free divers take a huge breath **where/before** they dive into the water.
- 3 Ultramarathon runners have to pace themselves **unless/whereas** sprinters run as fast as they possibly can.
- 4 Cliff divers perform tricks **when/so** they take part in a competition.
- 5 Climbers need to use specialist snow equipment **if/after** they are climbing during the winter.
- 6 Skydivers train in teams **unless/wherever** they have access to an airfield.

### C Use conjunctions to extend sentences

Extend each of the following sentences three times, using different conjunctions from the list.

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- 3 Mountaineers often climb in teams

when  
before  
after  
until

where  
wherever

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unless

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# CONJUNCTIONS

**Conjunctions** can extend sentences by joining extra clauses.

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## Spotting conjunctions



- Look for two clauses. Which word is joining them?
- Conjunctions can come at the beginning of a sentence as well as in the middle.

## Extending with Conjunctions - Activity Model

when  
before  
after  
until

where  
wherever

because  
so

if  
unless

although  
whereas

George races on his mountain bike

**although** he prefers riding on a skateboard.

**if** he is not running.

**when** he gets the chance.

## Extending with Conjunctions

*Use the conjunctions below to extend these sentences. Compose at least three different extensions for each sentence.*

Record your sentences how you have been shown.

- **Kate loves free diving**
- **Frankie competes in ultramarathons**
- **My mum likes skydiving**
- **Mr Harrison climbs mountains**

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