



## Conjunctions

### Coordinating Conjunctions

Coordinating conjunctions often combine (or coordinate) independent clauses or other sentence elements.

Ex: *She will inherit the diamond, but she must wait until she is older.*

There are 7 common coordinating conjunctions, which can be remembered with help from the acronym FANBOYS...

**f**or   **a**nd   **n**or   **b**ut   **o**r   **y**et   **s**o

### Subordinating Conjunctions

Subordinate conjunctions often begin dependent clauses, which are separated with a comma from independent clauses if the dependent clause begins or interrupts the sentence.

Ex: *When she is older, she will inherit the diamond.*

after	even though	since	unless	wherever
although	if	so	until	whether
as	in order	so that	when	while
because	once	than	whenever	
before	provided that	that	where	
even if	rather than	though	whereas	

### Common Conjunctive Adverbs

Conjunctive adverbs can be used to join independent clauses. They should be preceded by a semicolon and followed by a comma.

Ex: *She is older now; therefore, she can inherit the diamond.*

besides	moreover	for
finally	rather	in the meantime
likewise	first	notwithstanding
on the other hand	in the first place	therefore
furthermore	nonetheless	
however	then	