Conjunctions to Join Ideas

Name: _____ Date: _____

Remember:

Coordinating conjunctions join equal ideas: *and, but, or, so, for, yet*
Subordinating conjunctions join dependent ideas: *because, when, if, although, while, since, before, after*

Part A: Choose the Best Conjunction

Circle the best conjunction to join each pair of sentences.

1. The weather was cold. We went to the beach.

   but because and

2. I finished my homework. I could play outside.

   but **so** although

3. She practiced every day. She wanted to improve her guitar skills.

   or when **because**

4. We can go to the park. We can stay home and watch a movie.

   or but since

Part B: Combine the Sentences

Use the conjunction in brackets to join each pair of sentences. Write the new sentence on the line.

1. The dog barked loudly. The cat ran away. (so)

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2. I will bring my umbrella. It might rain later. (because)

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3. Tom likes swimming. His brother prefers cycling. (but)

   _____

4. We arrived at school. The bell rang. (when)

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Part C: Write Your Own

Write two sentences of your own using the conjunctions provided.

1. Use **and** to join two ideas:

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   _____

2. Use **although** to join two ideas:

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