

Combining Sentences

Remember that you can **combine related simple sentences** to create compound sentences. Use coordinating conjunctions and a comma before the conjunction in compound sentences.

Some common conjunctions are listed below.

and but for or
nor yet so

A Read the compound sentences below. Draw a line under the two complete thoughts. Circle the conjunction.

1. I recycle my plastic products, and I reuse paper.
2. I use wind power, for it causes little air pollution.
3. I will help keep the beaches clean, so the sea turtles will not become endangered.
4. You can teach the class how to reuse aluminum, and I will show them some alternatives to nonrenewable resources.

B Turn the simple sentences into compound sentences. Use commas and conjunctions.

1. I painted the benches and tables. My friends picked up the trash.

2. Miranda studies ocean animals. She is not a scientist.

3. Let's recycle all paper products. The paper can be used again.
