

The Conjunctions

Exercise in Grammar 94

Point out the Conjunctions in the following sentences, and state whether they are Co-ordinating or Subordinating:-

1. You will not succeed unless you work harder. - Subordinating
2. We arrived after you had gone. Subordinating
3. I waited till the train arrived. Subordinating
4. Bread and milk is wholesome food. Co-ordinating
5. You will get the prize if you deserve it- Subordinating
6. When you are called, you must come in at Subordinating
7. Do not go before I come. Subordinating
8. I cannot give you any money, for I have none. Co-ordinating
9. Since you say so, I must believe it. Subordinating
10. He fled lest he should be killed. Subordinating
11. I shall be vexed if you do that. Subordinating
12. We got into the port before the storm came on. Subordinating
13. He was sorry after he had done it. ; Subordinating
14. I did not come because you did not call me. Subordinating
15. He is richer than I am. Subordinating
16. My grandfather died before I was born. Subordinating
17. I will stay until you return Subordinating
18. Catch me if you can. Subordinating
19. Tom runs faster than Harry. Subordinating
20. Is that story true or false? Co-ordinating
21. You will be late unless you hurry. Subordinating
22. He asked whether he might have a holiday. Subordinating
23. Give me to drink, else I shall die of thirst. Co-ordinating
24. If I feel any doubt, I ask. Subordinating
25. He deserved to succeed, for he worked hard. Co-ordinating
26. He will be sure to come if you invite him. Subordinating
27. We can travel by land or water. Co-ordinating
28. The earth is larger than the moon. Subordinating
29. Either you are mistaken, or I am. Co-ordinating
30. I shall go, whether you come or not. Co-ordinating

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| 31. <u>Unless</u> you tell me the truth, I shall punish you. | Subordinating |
| 32. I hear <u>that</u> your brother is in London. | Subordinating |
| 33. Blessed are the merciful, <u>for</u> they shall obtain mercy. | Co-ordinating |

Exercise in Grammar 96:

Fill the blanks with appropriate Conjunctions:-

1. Be just **and** fear not.
2. I ran fast, **but** I missed the train.
3. He fled, **for** he was afraid.
4. Make haste, **or / else / otherwise** you will be late.
5. **Unless** you try, you will not succeed.
6. I am sure **that** he said so.
7. Wait **till** I return.
8. Do not go **till** I come.
9. He finished first **though / although** he began late.
10. Take care **lest** you fall.
11. Take a lamp, **as / because** the night is dark.
12. **As / because** he was ambitious I slew him.
13. Open rebuke is better **than** secret love.
14. **If** you eat too much you will be ill.
15. I shall not go **unless** I am invited.
16. He has succeeded better **than** he hoped.
17. I do it **as** I choose to.
18. **If** duty calls us we must obey.
19. Live well **so that** you may die well.
20. Think nought a trifle, **though / although** it small appear.
21. The purse has been lost **or** stolen.
22. Rustum is slow **but** sure.
23. He remained at home **as / because** he was ill.
24. **As** he was industrious, I encouraged him.

Exercise in Composition 97

Fill each blank in the following sentences with an appropriate Conjunction:-

1. Three **and** three make six.
2. Is his name Sen **or** Gupta ?
3. He will not come **if** it rains.
4. **Unless** you run, you will not overtake him.
5. He is very rich **yet** he is not happy.
6. **Until** I return, stay where you are.
7. He was punished, **for** he was guilty.
8. He behaved **as** a brave man should do.
9. There is no doubt **that** the earth is round.
10. I wonder **when** he will come.
11. He is witty **though** vulgar.
12. Will you kindly wait **till** I return?
13. Karim is tall, **but** Abdul is taller.
14. He lost his balance **and** fell off the bicycle.
15. He tried hard **but** did not succeed.
16. Is this my book **or** yours?
17. Water **and** oil will not mix.
18. They left **as / when** we returned.
19. The vase will break **if** you drop it.
20. I shall not go out now **as / because** it is raining very heavily.
21. Trains run from this station every few minutes **so** we shall not have to wait.
22. Man proposes **but** God disposes.
23. Time **and** tide wait for no man.
24. Virtue ennobles. **but** vice degrades.
25. This **or** that must suffice.
26. The train was derailed **but** no one was hurt.
27. She writes slowly **and / but** neatly.
28. I believe him **as / because** he is truthful.
29. You will not get the prize **unless** you deserve it.
30. Send for me **if / when / whenever** you want me.
31. Hari will do all right, **if** he perseveres.

32. Catch me **if** you can.
33. He told me **that** you had arrived an hour ago.
34. You will never succeed **unless** you try.
35. **If** I were you, I'd keep quiet.
36. Wait **till** I come.
37. Be just **and** fear not.
38. Tell me **whether** you understand.
39. We will come, **whether** it rains or not
40. Make hay **while** the sun shines.
41. It is a long time **since** we last saw him.
42. Please write **as** I dictate.
43. It is hoped **that** all will go well.
44. Give me **neither** poverty **nor** riches.
45. He is taller **than** I (am).
46. **Since** I cannot get away, I will go next week.
47. **Since** you wish it, it shall be done.
48. Why is our food so sweet? **Because** we earn before we eat.
49. Take heed **lest** you fall.
50. He gazed so long **that** both his eyes were dazzled.
51. **while** there is life there is hope.
52. Walk on **till** you come to the gate.
53. They say **that** he is better.
54. I have been in such a pickle **since** I saw you last.
55. His plans **though** vast, were never visionary.
56. Some people live **so** that they may eat.
57. He went **as / when** I came
58. He will starve **before** he will steal.
59. There were more people **than** we had expected.
60. **If** there is something to be done, the world knows how to get it done.
61. **Though / although** I grant his honesty I suspect his memory.
62. **Though / although** I am poor, I am not dishonest.
63. No one knows **where** he went.
64. Come **when / whenever / if** you please.
65. Do **as** you are bidden.
66. He must have passed this way, **as / because** there is no other road.

67. **Although** respected, he is not liked.
68. We all know that sin **and** sorrow go together.
69. I don't know **if / whether** he will be here.
70. Grievances cannot be redressed **unless** they are known.
71. We shall fail **unless** we are industrious.
72. **Though** it was late we decided to set out.
73. I am well, **but** I do not feel very strong.
74. **If** he is there, I shall see him.
75. How can he buy it **if** he has no money ?
76. **Though** you are not ready, we must go on.
77. The building has been razed **since** I visited the city.
78. Love not sleep, **lest** thou come to poverty.
79. He bled so profusely **that** he died.
80. I know you better **than** he (does).

Exercise in Composition 98

Join each pair of the following sentences by means of a suitable Conjunction.

Make such changes as are necessary:-

1. My brother is well but my sister is ill.
2. He sells mangoes and oranges.
3. Though he worked hard he did not succeed.
4. Rama and Hari played well.
5. I honour him as he is a brave man.
6. You may go but I will stay.
7. Rama reads for pleasure but Hari reads for profit.
8. We decided to set out though it was late.
9. He was poor but He was honest.
10. He is neither a knave nor a fool.
11. We love Bahadur as he is a faithful dog.
12. Rustum made twelve runs before He was caught at the wicket.
13. He is rich but not happy. / Though he is rich, he is not happy.
14. The sheep and the oxen are grazing.
15. He is poor but contented.
16. This mango is large and sweet.

17. Neither my brother nor my sister was there.
18. The boy and the girl are here.
19. The piper played and the children danced.
20. You must be quiet or you must leave the room.
21. He sat down as / because he was tired.
22. Rama works hard but Hari is idle.
23. I lost the prize though I tried my best.
24. I like him though he is dangerous.
25. I went to the shop and bought a slate.
26. He is slow but sure.
27. I know that he does not think so.
28. You are tall but my brother is taller.
29. Hari went to school but / while Sita stayed at home.
30. He must start at once otherwise / or / else he will be late.
31. I shall sit still and listen to the music.
32. Hari neither came nor sent a letter.
33. I ran fast but missed the train.
34. Karim works hard but Abdul works harder.
35. He must be tired as / because he has walked twelve miles
36. It is autumn so the leaves are falling.
37. I will come if I am not ill.
38. I will bring your umbrella if you wish it.
39. He remained cheerful though he has been wounded.
40. He went out when the train stopped.
41. He ran to the station but missed the train.
42. I came though I was unwilling.
43. Men have fought and died for their country.
44. As he was afraid of being late he ran.
45. Hari does not write fast though he writes very well.
46. The boy is dangerously ill as his head was hurt.
47. The old man fell down the steps and broke his leg.
48. He tried to get up but could not.
49. Both mother and father are at home.
50. I have a cricket bat and a set of stumps.
51. Although we went early to the circus, we could not get a seat.

52. He must do as he is told or / otherwise / else he will be punished.

53. The prisoner fell down on his knees and begged for mercy.

54. Both Sita and Ganga go to school.

55. Rama may be either in the house or in the garden.