

PRE-INTERMEDIATE UNIT 6

sentence structure

speakout WRITING TIP

When you write sentences, you can use words such as *when*, *and* and *also* to connect your ideas and to make longer sentences. Longer sentences sound better but very long sentences are difficult to understand. Use *and* only once in a sentence and *also* in the next sentence to add more information.

1A Read the description of the meal. Predict the missing words *when*, *and*, and *also*.

It was eight o'clock ¹_____ we arrived at the Greek restaurant. I was with my sister. We were tired ²_____ thirsty. We were ³_____ very hungry. ⁴_____ the waiter came, we ordered quickly. I ordered a Greek salad ⁵_____ a steak. I ⁶_____ ordered some roasted vegetables. The meal was delicious!

B Match the sentence halves.

- 1 It was eight o'clock
- 2 We were tired
- 3 We were
- 4 I ordered a Greek salad
- 5 I
- 6 When the waiter came,
- a) and thirsty.
- b) also ordered some roast vegetables.
- c) we ordered quickly.
- d) also very hungry.
- e) when we arrived at the Greek restaurant.
- f) and a steak.

2 Connect the sentences using *when*.

- 1 He ran. He saw the police.

- 2 We were walking along the street. It started to rain.

- 3 Maria finished the exam. She felt very happy.

- 4 He passed his driving test. David bought a new car.

- 5 Mum called us. We came into the dining room.

- 6 I started playing basketball. I was twelve.

- 7 We came back from our run. We were thirsty.

- 8 He asked me to marry him. I felt excited.

3 Rewrite each sentence as two sentences. Use *also* in the second sentence.

- 1 We ate pasta, we drank Italian wine and we had ice cream.

- 2 He is a good cook, he is an excellent photographer and he is a fantastic pianist.

- 3 We walked in the park, we went on the boats and we had a meal in a café.

- 4 Sean cleaned his room, he washed the dishes and he watered the plants.

- 5 Claire did the shopping, she went to the dentist's and she went to the beauty salon.

- 6 We visited the museums, went sightseeing and went shopping in the markets.

- 7 He had a headache, a sore throat and a high temperature.

- 8 Mark does karate, yoga and goes surfing on the ocean.

4 Write sentences about a meal you had in a restaurant. Write 60–80 words.

Plan your writing

- Think about the meal you had in a restaurant. Where did you go? Who did you go with? What did you order? Did you enjoy the meal? Why/Why not?

Check your writing

- Have you used a sentence with *and* followed by a sentence with *also*?
- Have you checked your grammar and spelling?
- Did you find any mistakes?