# Conjunction

A conjunction is used to join two words, phrases or clauses together. There are three types of conjunctions :

Coordinating conjunctions	Correlative conjunctions	Common subordinating conjunctions
<ul> <li>For</li> <li>And</li> <li>Nor</li> <li>But</li> <li>Or</li> <li>Yet</li> <li>So</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Either or</li> <li>Neither nor</li> <li>Not only but also</li> <li>Both and</li> <li>Whether or</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>After</li> <li>Before</li> <li>Although</li> <li>Though</li> <li>Even though</li> <li>As much as</li> <li>As soon as</li> <li>Because</li> <li>So that</li> <li>In order that</li> <li>If</li> <li>Lest</li> <li>Even if</li> <li>That</li> <li>Unless</li> <li>Until</li> <li>When</li> <li>Where</li> <li>Whether</li> <li>Whether</li> <li>While</li> </ul>

## Coordinating conjunctions:

Also called coordinators, are conjunctions that connect two or more equal items.

#### **EXAMPLES:**

- My contractions are becoming more painful and frequent.
- The surgical team tried everything but couldn't stop the bleeding.
- You should consider a birth control method, or you might end up with an unwanted pregnancy.

## Correlative conjunctions:

Correlative conjunctions are used in pairs. They work in pairs to coordinate two items.

### **EXAMPLES:**

- You can use either a female condom or a male condom to prevent HIV transmission.
- Both cervical and endometrial cancer can cause a bleeding.
- Whether you choose to undergo a renconstructive mammoplasty or you don't is your decision.

## Subordinating conjunctions:

Subordinating conjunctions, also called subordinators, are conjunctions that join a dependent (or subordinating) clause to an independent (or main) clause.

#### **EXAMPLES:**

- The pregnant woman was taken to the operating theatre as soon as she arrived.
- I'm going to prescribe antibiotics since the infection you have is bacterial.
- Although she knows she's carrying a pretty agressive form of cancer, she remains hopeful.