

3.5 Conjunctions

1 Types of conjunctions

(a) A few inventions, for instance television, have had a major impact on everyday life.

(b) Furthermore, many patients were treated in clinics and surgeries.

(c) The definition of 'special needs' is important since it is the cause of some disagreement.

(d) The technology allows consumers a choice, thus increasing their sense of satisfaction.

(e) Four hundred people were interviewed for the survey, then the results were analysed.

(f) However, another body of opinion associates globalisation with unfavourable outcomes.

(ii) Result d

(iii) Reason c

(iv) Opposition f

(v) Example a

(vi) Time e

2 Practice A – Biofuels

Conjunction	Type	Conjunction	Type
(a) <i>such as</i>	<i>example</i>	(f) in other words	example
(b) but	opposition	(g) instead of	opposition
(c) Although	opposition	(h) Consequently	result
(d) for instance	example	(i) and	addition

(e) however	opposition	(j) neither . . . nor	opposition
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3 Common conjunctions

(Others are possible)

Addition: moreover/ as well as/ in addition/ and/ also/ furthermore/ plus

Result: therefore/ consequently/ so/ that is why (see Unit 2.2)

Reason: because/ owing to/ as a result of/ as/ since/ due to (see Unit 2.2)

Time: after/ while/ then/ next/ subsequently (see Unit 3.12)

Example: such as/ e.g./ in particular/ for instance (see Unit 2.6)

Opposition: but/ yet/ while/ however/ nevertheless/ whereas/ albeit/ although/ despite

4 Practice B

(Others are possible)

- (a) After
- (b) Although/ While
- (c) moreover/ furthermore/ additionally
- (d) therefore/ so
- (e) for instance/ for example
- (f) Due to/ Because of
- (g) While
- (h) As/ Because/ Since

5 Practice C – Geoengineering

(Others are possible)

- (a) such as
- (b) Although
- (c) either
- (d) or
- (e) for instance/ for example
- (f) While/ Although
- (g) due to/ because of
- (h) or
- (i) Therefore/ That is why

6 Conjunctions of opposition

(Example answers)

- (a)
 - (i) Although the government claimed that inflation was falling, the opposition said it was rising.
 - (ii) The government claimed that inflation was falling while the opposition said it was rising.
- (b)
 - (i) This department must reduce expenditure, yet it needs to install new computers.
 - (ii) While this department must reduce expenditure it also needs to install new computers.
- (c)

- (i) In spite of being heavily advertised, sales of the new car were poor.
- (ii) Sales of the new car were poor, despite it being heavily advertised.

7 Practice D

(Example answers)

- (a) In contrast to America, where gun ownership is common, few Japanese have guns.
- (b) Despite leaving school at the age of 14 he went on to develop a successful business.
- (c) The majority displayed a positive attitude to the proposal, but a minority strongly disagreed.
- (d) While the tutor insisted that the essay was easy, the students found it difficult.
- (e) Although the spring was cold and dry, the summer was warm and wet.