

Conjunctions

Mark schemes

Q1.

Award 1 mark for a response explaining that the conjunction changes how the actions in the sentence are connected to time, e.g.

- *In the second one, the conjunction shows that the actions were happening at the same time.*
- *In sentence one, they listened to music when they had finished lunch; in sentence two, they listened to music and ate lunch at the same time.*
- *When you add in 'while' it says they are listening to music and having lunch.*
- *In the first one, it is talking about what they did after lunch but in the second one, it is talking about what they did during lunch.*
- *It means they listened to music while they were eating their lunch.*

Also accept responses that demonstrate understanding without referring to the second sentence, e.g.

- *In the first one, they ate their lunch and then they listened to the music.*

Do not accept responses that do not explain how the conjunction changes the meaning of the sentence, e.g.

- *It changes when they did it.*

There are no spelling or punctuation requirements for this question.

1 mark

Q2.

Award 1 mark for the correct insertion of an appropriate subordinating conjunction, e.g.

- Tracey decided to walk because it was a lovely day.
- Tracey decided to walk since it was a lovely day.
- Tracey decided to walk as it was a lovely day.

1 mark

Q3.

Award 1 mark for **both** words encircled.

The children had not read the book, yet they knew the story off by heart.

Keep your hat on until the rain has stopped.

1 mark

Q4.

Award 1 mark for **both** words encircled.

The passengers moved to get out, but the pilot held up his hand and they stood still.

1 mark

Q5.

Award 1 mark for three conjunctions inserted correctly. You may bring sandwiches and juice or water for the trip, but glass bottles are not allowed.

1 mark

Q6.

Award 1 mark for all three correct.

We like to eat popcorn when we go to the cinema.

Although my sister likes salted popcorn, I prefer sweet popcorn. My brother doesn't like popcorn at all, so he buys sweets instead.

1 mark

Q7.

We change places when the bell rings.

1 mark

Q8.

Award 1 mark for

Hassan and I are going to our dance class; we are going to be late as we missed the bus.

1 mark

Q9.

Award 1 mark for the correct insertion of an appropriate subordinating conjunction, e.g.

- We listened to the music while we ate our lunch.
- We listened to the music whilst we ate our lunch.
- We listened to the music as we ate our lunch.

- We listened to the music when we ate our lunch.

Do not accept misspellings of the subordinating conjunction.

1 mark

Q10.

Award 1 mark for *conjunction(s)*.

There are no spelling or punctuation requirements for this question.

1 mark

Q11.

Award 1 mark for a grammatically correct and accurately punctuated sentence using an appropriate co-ordinating conjunction, with or without a preceding comma, e.g.

We have time to play a game, but we will have to finish it before dinner.

We have time to play a game and we will have to finish it before dinner.

1 mark

Q12.

Award 1 mark for the correct word circled.

If you want to enter the competition, you can send your idea
by email or by post.

1 mark