

Chapter- 12

Conjunctions

STUDY NOTES**AT A GLANCE**

- 1) Conjunctions are known as connecting words.
- 2) A conjunction is the joining together of elements.
- 3) It is a word that connects sentences, phrases or clauses.
- 4) The specific conjunction used shows how the two joined parts are related. *Example:* ***Bread, butter and cheese.***
- 5) Conjunctions are found in single word or group of words.
- 6) 'Because' is a conjunction that joins two parts of a sentence and reflects a cause.
- 7) 'Since' is a conjunction that joins two sentences and it refers to a particular time.
- 8) It refers to a particular time in the past.
- 9) It helps to reflect the cause of action.
- 10) 'As' is a conjunction used to join two events taking place simultaneously.
- 11) It is also used to reflect the reason behind the cause or action.
- 12) 'So' joins two sentences in order to show the result or effect of the action or condition

1. In the sentences below, identify where since is used to talk about time and where it is used to give a reason. Write T for time and R for reason in the space provided.

- a) I thought of visiting you since you were alone at home. R
- b) We have been working on this project all day since we have to submit it tonight. R
- c) I have not met my relatives since I left the city. T
- d) Asif's father bought him a new book since he loves to read. R
- e) Ravindra will be back in the team since he is practicing very hard. R
- f) Kaira joined karate classes since last December. T

2) In the sentences below, identify the different uses of the conjunction as. Write R if it is used to give a reason and A if it is used to show actions happening at the same time.

- a) I was not selected for the school choir as I had a bad throat. R
- b) I asked Jitu to come home as we had to complete the project. R
- c) she tried to hide my chocolate as I looked away. A
- d) Ratul could not open the batting for the team today as he was injured. A
- e) I saw my neighbour driving his new car as I walked out of the house. A
- f) Jijin fell down from his cycle as the road was muddy. R

3) Match the sentences in column A with the sentences in column B. Then join these sentences with so and write them in your notebook.

Column A

a) I was hungry.

b) My shoes were torn.

c) I was sick.

d) It was cloudy.

Column B

I did not go to school.(c)

I ate all the cookies. (a)

I carried an umbrella with me.(d)

I bought a new pair of shoes.(b)

- a) I was hungry so I ate all the cookies.
- b) My shoes were torn so I bought a new pair of shoes.
- c) I was sick so I did not go to school.
- d) It was cloudy so I carried an umbrella with me.

4) Fill in the blanks with correct conjunctions from the box.

Because

since so as

- a) He did not buy a gift as he had no money.
- b) You should do this immediately since it has already been delayed.
- c) As Keerthi was entering the building, she saw a man running out.
- d) She fed him his dinner as he continued to do his homework.
- e) I was sick, so I did not eat the ice-cream.
- f) Please don't play with a knife as it is not safe.
- g) I could not find a taxi today, because I came late.

5) Use correct conjunctions to complete the sentences.

- a) Everyone liked Danish because he was very honest.

- b) My teacher asked me to study hard, so I started going to the library.
- c) I wanted to be a cricketer as I saw Virat scoring that hundred against England.
- d) Anu was playing outside with her brother as it started raining.
- e) I missed my school bus since I woke up very late.

6) Join the pairs of sentences given below using the conjunctions because, since or as. You can change the order of the sentences. One is done for you.

b) I submitted the homework late. I will be punished.
Ans) I will be punished as I submitted the homework late.

c) You were going alone. I thought of joining you.
Ans) Since you were going alone, I thought of joining you.

d) Take her to the classroom. She is a new student.
Ans) Take her to the classroom because she is a new student.

e) I have been waiting for two hours. I wanted to meet you.
Ans) I have been waiting for two hours since I wanted to meet you.

f) I saw you playing two years ago. Your bowling has improved a lot.
Ans) Since I saw you playing, your bowling has improved.

7) Correct the conjunctions in the sentences given below.

a) I worked hard so I wanted to pass the test.
Ans) I worked hard because I wanted to pass the test.

b) But I started early in the morning. I did not miss the train.
Ans) As I started early in the morning, I did not miss the train.

c) So he was my friend, I decided to help him with his bag.
Ans) Since he was my friend, I decided to help him with his bag.

d) I didn't buy the dress so it was expensive.

Ans) I didn't buy the dress because it was expensive.

e) I passed the test but I worked hard.

Ans) I passed the test since I worked hard.

g) I know you must be tired, since I will let you rest.

Ans) I know you must be tired, so I will let you rest.

