

# Sentence Connectors vs. Subordinating Conjunctions

Meaning	Conjunctions	Sentence Connector
addition	<p><b>and</b></p> <p>The patient eats breakfast, <b>and</b> he takes his usual medication.</p>	<p><b>In addition, furthermore, moreover, additionally</b></p> <p>The patient eats breakfast. <b>In addition</b>, he takes his usual medication. The patient eats breakfast; <b>in addition</b>, he takes his usual medication.</p>
contrast	<p><b>but, yet</b> = coordinating <b>although, even though, though, despite (the fact that)/in spite of (the fact that)</b> = subordinating</p> <p>The doctor performed the operation, <b>but</b> the patient died. <b>Although</b> the doctor performed the operation, the patient died. <b>In spite of the fact that</b> the doctor performed the operation, the patient died.</p>	<p><b>However, nevertheless, nonetheless</b></p> <p>The doctor performed the operation. <b>However</b>, the patient died. The doctor performed the operation; <b>however</b>, the patient died.</p>
cause and effect	<p><b>so, for</b> = coordinating <b>because/because of, as, since</b> = subordinating</p> <p>The patient has diabetes, <b>so</b> he must avoid sugar. <b>Because</b> the patient has diabetes, he must avoid sugar. <b>Because of</b> his diabetes, he must avoid sugar. <b>Because of</b> his diabetes, he must avoid sugars. These include natural as well as refined sugars.</p>	<p><b>therefore, consequently, as a result</b></p> <p>The patient has diabetes. <b>Therefore</b>, he must avoid sugar. The patient has diabetes; <b>therefore</b>, he must avoid sugar. The patient has diabetes; <b>therefore</b>, he must avoid sugars. These include natural as well as refined sugars.</p>
purpose	<p><b>to, in order to</b> = subordinating conjunction</p> <p>He went on a diet <b>in order to</b> lose weight. <b>In order to</b> lose weight, he went on a diet.</p>	<p><i>No equivalent</i></p>
sequence connectors	<p><b>after which</b> = relative pronoun (works same as conjunctions) <b>after, before, once, prior to</b> = subordinating conjunction</p> <p>The doctor removes the spleen, <b>after which</b> he uses a cautery to stop excessive bleeding.</p> <p><b>Prior to</b> removing the spleen, the doctor ties off the nearby veins and arteries. The doctor ties off the nearby veins and arteries <b>prior to</b> removing the spleen.</p>	<p><b>Then, next, finally, at this point</b></p> <p>The doctor removes the spleen. <b>Next</b>, he uses a cautery to stop excessive bleeding.</p>
Example*		<p><b>For instance/for example</b></p> <p>Suheir is a very disciplined person. <b>For example</b>, she exercises daily.</p>

\* Since "such as" is considered a complex preposition, it is not included in this table