

**Example.** I was tired. I went to sleep.

# **Using Coordinating Conjunctions**<sup>1</sup>

### **Practice 2**

**Instructions.** <u>Based on this lesson</u>, combine the sentences to create a new sentence using coordinating conjunctions (**and**, **but**, **so**, **or**, **or else**). Pay attention to the use of commas.

	Answer: I was tired, so I went to sleep.	
When you are done, see "Answer Key" to check your answers.		
1.	I need to buy a new car. I don't have enough money.	
2.	I take a shower. I eat breakfast every morning.	
3.	Jake doesn't eat meat. He eats cheese.	
4.	It's raining. The children can't play outside.	
5.	John understands Italian. He cannot speak it very well.	
5.	Tonight we can watch a movie. We can listen to music.	
7.	Let's have dinner. Let's talk about our plans tomorrow.	

8.	I have to be in class on time. My teacher will get angry.
9.	The baby is crying because he's hungry. He just needs to go to sleep.
10.	It's cold outside. I'll stay home. I'll read a good book.
11.	There's an exam tomorrow. I need to study. I won't pass the course.
12.	Our teacher gives us a lot of work. Everyone loves him.

## **Answer Key**

- 1. I need to buy a new car, **but** I don't have enough money. (with the comma.)
- 2. I take a shower **and** eat breakfast every morning. (no comma)
  I take a shower, **and** I eat breakfast every morning. (with a comma)
- 3. Jake doesn't eat meat, **but** he eats cheese. (with a comma)
- 4. It's raining, **so** the children can't play outside. (with a comma)
- 5. John understands Italian, **but**. he cannot speak it very well. (with a comma)
- 6. Tonight we can watch a movie, or wWe can listen to music. (with a comma)
- 7. Let's have dinner **and** talk about our plans tomorrow. (no comma)
- 8. I have to be in class on time, or else my teacher will get angry. (with a comma)
- 9. The baby is crying because he's hungry, **or else** he just needs to go to sleep. (with a comma) The baby is crying because he's hungry, **or** he just needs to go to sleep. (with a comma)
- 10. It's cold outside, **so** I'll stay home **and** read a good book. (comma before "so" and no comma before "and")
- 11. There's an exam tomorrow, so I need to study, or else I won't pass the course.
- 12. Our teacher gives us a lot of work, **but** everyone loves him.

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