

Y5 Cohesion

KS2 Y5 English · Follows the national curriculum

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1. Worked example

Link these two ideas showing contrast: 'Sam trained every day. He didn't win the race.'

Step 1 · What is the relationship?

Effort vs result: a contrast

Step 2 · Choose a contrast adverbial

However

Answer: Sam trained every day. However, he didn't win the race.

Check: A comma follows the fronted adverbial.

2. Now try one with the steps

Use 'this' to avoid repetition: 'Plastic gets into the sea. Plastic getting into the sea harms turtles.'

Step 1 · What idea is repeated?

Step 2 · Replace it with 'This'

Answer:

3. Practice

Have a go at each one. There is space underneath to work it out.

1. What does 'cohesion' mean in writing?

2. Write out the adverbial of time: 'Later, we went to the cinema.'

3. Write out the adverbial of place: 'Nearby, a dog was barking.'

4. Fill the gap with an adding word: 'She plays the piano. ____, she plays the violin.'

5. Fill the gap with a contrast word: 'It was raining. ____, they went for a walk.'
6. Fill the gap with a cause word: 'He forgot his umbrella. ____, he got soaked.'
7. Fill the gap with a sequence word: '____, we gathered the ingredients. Then we started cooking.'
8. What does 'This' refer to? 'The bridge collapsed. This caused a traffic jam.'
9. Rewrite using 'they' and 'However': 'Penguins are birds. Penguins cannot fly.'
10. Write a sentence that uses the past perfect to link back to an earlier time.
11. Write a paragraph opening for the second paragraph of a recount, using an adverbial of time.
12. Improve the cohesion: 'I went to the park. I went on the swings. I went home.'
13. Name three types of adverbial that can link paragraphs.
14. Why is it a problem to start every paragraph with 'Then'?

4. Before you hand it in

Starting every sentence with 'Then' or 'And then'

Vary: After that, Later, Meanwhile, As a result, Nearby.

Using the wrong link: 'It was sunny. However, we went to the beach.'

It was sunny, so we went to the beach. / As a result, we went to the beach.

Unclear 'this' or 'it': 'The dog chased the cat. It was fast.'

Use a noun when it is unclear: 'The cat was fast.'

Paragraphs that don't connect

Start each paragraph with a link: time (Later), place (Nearby), number (Secondly) or tense (had already...).