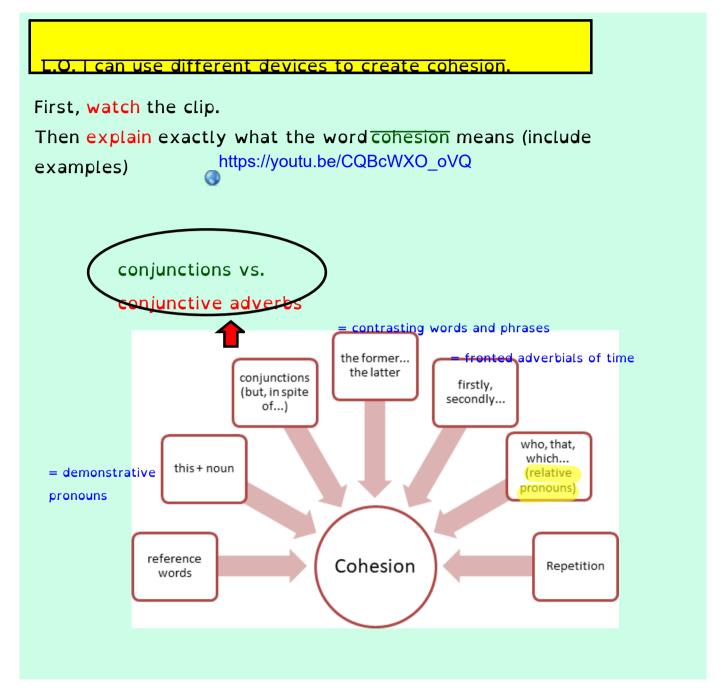
What could the word cohesion mean? Explain using examples.



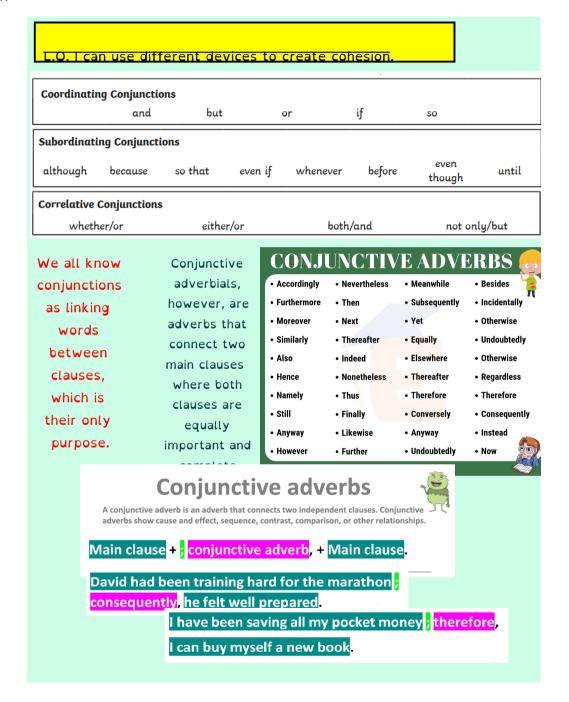


- Cohesion is the glue that holds a text together.
  - Cohesive Devices hold the text together.

Read through these examples.

We will particularly focus on conjunctive adverbials, which are different from pure conjunctions.

	Technique:	Example:	Impact:
	Adverbs and adverbials	After a while, Most noticeably, Feeling confident, Quietly	Helps structure the order of text. Gives the reader more clarity.
Ī	Repetition of words/phrases to start a sentence	It came towards them. It came faster than they expected, driven by pure hatred.	Emphasises a point
	Repetition of words/phrases	Milly discovered the partly hidden, weather-worn suitcase behind the discarded boxes. After clearing off the thick layer of dust, she searched for a label. There, barely visible on the weather-worn leather	Emphasises a point and draws attention to it.
	Repetition of clause structures	He knew he needed to find it, he knew he needed to find it before they did.	Creates tensions and impact (don't overuse)
	Using pronouns	<b>The monster</b> had been watching carefully. <b>It</b> came towards them. <b>It</b> came faster than they expected, driven by pure hatred.	Avoids repeating the noun/names
	Synonyms	The car, vehicle, Mini, it	Helps develop a reader's depth of understanding about a character/theme
	Contrasting phrases	On the other hand, In contrast, Many argue against this	Helps the reader understand there is a contrasting section/paragraph
	Conjunctions	As mentioned previously, Even though this needs to considered before	Helps create a flow to the writing through linking clauses. Resource author



# A key element when creating cohesion are conjunctive adverbs.

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still	in contrast		for instance	secondly	as a result	later
and again			that is to say	thirdly	for this reason	at first

# Our task - Let's identify connecting adverbs/conjunctions!

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# Try it with this text - finding conjunctive adverbs that create

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Task 1 (with checking): Use these conjunctive adverbs to create stronger cohesion. The current cohesion is poor as the sentences only use pronouns to link (he, it, she).

in particular, moreover, however

Try one sentence at a time and then check on the next page.

- 1. The brown bear looks cuddly. He is not a friendly animal.
- 2. He ran a personal best in the 100m sprint. It was a new Olympic record.
- 3. My little sister doesn't like eating vegetables. She really hates peas.



Well done! Please check.

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The brown bear looks cuddly. He is not, however, a friendly animal

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Task 2: Use a range of conjunctive adverbs to create cohesion in your own sentences. Remember to also use the other devices.

- repetition, - personal pronoun (he, she, it ...),

- demonstrative pronouns (this), - contrasting phrases ...

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## **How many sentences?**

All: 3

Most: 5

Some: 8

Challenge: How complex can you make your sentences?

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Accordingly	Nevertheless	• Meanwhile	• Besides				
• Furthermore	• Then	<ul> <li>Subsequently</li> </ul>	• Incidentally				
• Moreover	• Next	• Yet	Otherwise				
• Similarly	• Thereafter	• Equally	• Undoubtedly				
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• Still	• Finally	• Conversely	• Consequently				
• Anyway	• Likewise	• Anyway	• Instead				
• However	• Further	• Undoubtedly	• Now				
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Self assessment - Write down:

What did you learn today?

Did you struggle with anything?

What did you find useful?

How will it impact your work?

Sentence stems:

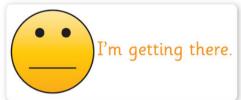
I have learnt...

I struggled with...

The main thing I found useful was...

This will help me improve my work by ...









For more practise and a wider range (not all are used to link to

# clauses though).

# **Adverbials for Cohesion**

time, place, number, exception, cause and effect, contrast or comparison, clarification and emphasis or addition

Adverbials are words or phrases that are used to modify a verb or clause. Adverbials may be adverbs, preposition phrases or subordinate clauses. Adverbials can be used to create cohesion within and across paragraphs.

#### time

in the beginning
only yesterday
until then
to begin with
at first
meanwhile
simultaneously
after that
straight away
presently

#### place

near this location
around here
in the city
behind the clouds
beyond the wall
inside the cave
out in the countryside
along the lane
here in this room
over the street

### number/frequency

secondly
lastly
once
twice
occasionally
rarely
every so often
often
sometimes

firstly

#### exception

despite this
aside from
despite
excluding
even though
other than
with the exception of
apart from
however
besides

### cause and effect

as a result
for this reason
subsequently
hence
as a consequence
due to
therefore
so as to
because of this
consequently

# contrast/comparison

on the other hand alternatively similarly nevertheless in contrast rather than compared with on the contrary in comparison however

# clarification

in fact
in other words
to clarify
above all
the main reason for this
for instance
in essence
to summarise
to illustrate this
in conclusion

# emphasis/addition

to clarify
most importantly
especially
primarily
furthermore
above all else
as well as
in addition to this
also
moreover
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