

# CONNECTORS AND LINKERS 2

*- reason, result and purpose -*



To join elements within a sentence or sentences within a text we use conjunctions, prepositions, adverbs and adverbial expressions called “connectors” or “linkers”.



## • **because**

**Because** explains the motive, the cause.

He didn't go out **because** he was very busy.

## • **as / since** (conjunction placed at the beginning of the period of time)

**As** he couldn't find a job, he enrolled on a web-design course.

**Since** we had spent all our money, we couldn't even buy a little souvenir.

## • so

**So** explains what the result is, the consequence.

We woke up late, so we missed our bus.

## • therefore, as a result / consequently, for this reason

These are more formal ways to express a result.

He's broken his leg, therefore he won't be able to play in the next match.

The bus drivers are on the strike today. As a result, the traffic in the city has doubled.

• **so .... + adjective / adverb + that**

The pudding was so nice that everyone asked for a second helping.

• **so as to .... / not to ....**

Speak softly so as not to disturb them.

• **such a + adjective + noun + that**

The teacher spoke for such a long time no one was listening in the end.

Note the use of the intensifying adverbs so and such in exclamatory expressions.

So + adjective or adverb

Such a .... + adjective+ noun

Kemal is so cute! And he is such a smart child, too!

## • to / in order to (+ base form of verb)

They express the purpose or the aim of an action. In order to ... has a more formal use.

He's qualifying to become an accountant. (not: .... ~~for become an accountant~~)

He has taken a course in business administration in order to gain career advancement.

## • so that

**So that** introduces a clause that usually contains a modal: will / would, can / could, or may / might.

So that we can / may win, we'll have to train really hard.

I'll use microphone so that everybody can hear.

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ATTENTION!!!***

