

The Missing Link Answer Key

1. **but** → Compound
 - "I wanted to go to the park, but it started raining."
2. **because** → Complex
 - "We stayed home because the snowstorm was very heavy."
3. **so** → Compound
 - "The lights went out, so we used flashlights to see."
4. **or** → Compound
 - "You can have pizza or pasta for dinner."
5. **although** → Complex
 - "She kept practicing although she felt very tired."
6. **when** (or *after*) → Complex
 - "I'll call you when I arrive at the airport."
7. **so** → Compound
 - "He was late, so he missed the beginning of the movie."
8. **when** → Complex
 - "The children laughed when they heard the silly joke."
9. **because** → Complex
 - "We didn't go swimming because the pool was closed."
10. **unless** → Complex
 - "I will not go to the concert unless you come with me."

Teacher Notes: Some sentences may allow **more than one correct answer** (e.g., #6 could use *when* or *after*). Encourage students to explain why they chose their conjunction.