

Connect And Combine Answer Key

1. **I studied for the test; however, I forgot my notes at home.**
(Shows contrast. *Although* can also work: "Although I studied for the test, I forgot my notes at home.")
2. **The sun set quickly, so it grew dark.**
(Connector shows cause-effect.)
3. **We visited the museum, and in addition, we toured the city park.**
(Connector adds information.)
4. **My sister practices piano daily; as a result, she plays beautifully.**
(Cause-effect transition works best.)
5. **The restaurant was crowded; nevertheless, the service was fast.**
(Connector shows contrast.)
6. **The car broke down, so we walked to the nearest gas station.**
(Cause-effect transition.)
7. **He enjoys playing basketball, and he also likes soccer.**
(Simple addition connector.)
8. **The cake looked delicious, but it was too sweet to eat.**
(Contrast connector highlights difference.)
9. **The teacher praised my work because I turned in my project early.**
(Shows cause.)
10. **We were cold because we didn't pack warm clothes.**
(Cause-effect flow.)

Teacher Notes

- Encourage students to think about the **relationship** between the two short sentences: contrast, addition, cause-effect, or sequence. That determines the best connector.
- Multiple answers may be correct if they preserve logical meaning and flow.
- Extension: Have students write two of their own short, choppy sentences, then swap with a partner to combine them using a transition.