**Match each of the pairs of main clauses to the most appropriate coordinating conjunction to join them together into a compound sentence. Use each of the conjunctions only once.**

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| yet |  | I can’t whistle. I can’t sing. |
| for |  | I am allergic to animal fur. I have three cats. |
| nor |  | I have to find a job. I am unemployed. |

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| but |  | Tom studied a lot. He didn’t pass the test. |
| or |  | I need to do the food shop. I need to collect the children from school. |
| and |  | Marie was thirsty. She drank some water. |
| so |  | You can sit at the front. You can stand at the back. |

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| so |  | I usually take the bus to school. Today my mum drove me. |
| nor |  | They didn’t wear a coat. They didn’t have an umbrella. |
| but |  | It was cold outside. She put on a jumper. |

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| for |  | I always do my maths homework carefully. I don’t get very good marks for it. |
| or |  | I’m taking my waterproof coat. I’m wearing my wellies. |
| yet |  | This half term, you could go to holiday club. You could stay with your grandparents. |
| and |  | Anna didn’t know anyone. She was new to the school. |

**Choose the most appropriate coordinating conjunctions to go between these words, phrases and clauses. Reread to check your sentence makes sense.**

Abby wanted both a doll \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ a bike for Christmas \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ she got neither.

You can go swimming \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to the cinema \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ you won’t have time to do both.

You need to tidy your room \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ do your homework \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ you are not going out.

I don’t eat healthily \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ do I exercise \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ I stay slim.

You can take dancing \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ swimming lessons \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ not both.

Tom \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ David will both have water \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ James would prefer milk.

You can bring a sandwich \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_a drink of water \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ milk \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ no chocolate.

I haven’t brought any money \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ my credit card \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ I can’t go out.

**Colour all of the coordinating conjunctions. Add a full stop (and capital letter) to each sentence, but remember that it won’t go before a coordinating conjunction as they join the clauses, words or phrases.**

I am going to take my umbrella and wear or carry my coat I definitely don’t want to get wet.

My dad says that he doesn’t enjoy sport, yet I often catch him watching football or cricket maybe he just doesn’t like playing it.

Sam is not very creative he doesn’t like art, nor does he like drama, but he loves maths.

I have been saving for ages I now have £10, so I can buy a new toy, or I could save for something even better.

They sat and waited for ages, yet their friend never turned up they worried that something had happened to him.

Laura didn’t eat her meal, nor did she want her desert or drink, for she was feeling poorly her teacher sent her home early.

**Challenge** – three in a row. Can you achieve three in a row by creating a sentence that uses all of the coordinating conjunctions that are in a horizontal, vertical or diagonal row? They can be used in any order. For a bonus point, add another main clause before or after as done above.

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