WALT use casual conjunctions and adverbials for cohesion in our writing.

<u>WILF:</u> Understand what a casual conjunction is used for Understand what an adverbial is used for Use casual conjunctions and adverbials in an argument.

### What Do You Notice about the Highlighted Words?

I am usually late **because** I often forget to set my alarm.

My sister loves animals, **so** we went on a trip to the zoo for her birthday.

As a result of practising hard, I came first in the gymnastics competition.

### What Do You Notice about the Highlighted Words?

They are all **causal conjunctions**, which are used to explain how things work or why something happens.

They can be:

- subordinating conjunctions, e.g. **because**;
- co-ordinating conjunctions, e.g. so;
- causal adverbials, e.g. as a result.

## Sort the Causal Conjunctions

Sort the causal conjunctions into the correct category below:



# When Are Causal Conjunctions Used?

Causal conjunctions are used:

• **to link independent clauses in the middle of sentences** e.g. I dislike dogs, **so** I don't enjoy visiting my uncle who has four huskies.

• to link independent clauses at the beginning of a sentence e.g. **Because** I had forgotten my lunch, the school cook let me have a hot dinner.

• at the beginning of a sentence to refer to the sentence before e.g. I lost my homework on the way to school. **Consequently**, I will have to stay in to complete it at lunchtime.

#### to add cohesion within paragraphs

e.g. Many schools have a rule that children wear uniform, which most parents and children are happy with. Wearing a school uniform means that pupils all look the same and nobody feels different. **Accordingly**, most pupils attend school looking smart and feeling proud to be part of their school.

# Spin the Wheel

Click on the wheel to spin it to choose a causal conjunction to use within a sentence or sentences about the pictures :



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Read each sentence to decide whether the highlighted words are causal conjunctions or not.

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### Your Activity:

Use the adverbials for cohesion and casual conjunctions mats to help you.

Write about something you are passionate about.

For example: deforestation, keeping oceans clean, not littering...

Use casual conjunctions and adverbials through your writing to help make your point and link sentences.