Correlative Conjunctions

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Correlative conjunctions are used in pairs. They connect two parallel parts of a sentence, such as two nouns, two adjectives, or two clauses.

Neither General Washington **nor** his soldiers knew how the battle would turn out.

Whether they would win or they would lose, they knew they had to fight.

either/or whether/or

neither/nor not only/but also

both/and

Activity Fill in the blanks. Choose a pair of correlative conjunctions from the word box to complete each sentence.

1. The rough water of the river rolled the boat from

side to side pitched it back and forth.

2. The men worried that the boats would capsize

break apart before they reached the other side.

3. They wondered to keep going to turn back.

4. General Washington endured the same suffering as his soldiers, but he complained gave up hope.

5. Washington was concerned about his men's physical safety

their mental well-being.

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