Conjunctions in Compound Sentences

Everglades Forever Grammar: Conjunctions

When two complete sentences are joined using a comma and a conjunction, they form a compound sentence. If the sentences are related to the same subject or similar idea, use the conjunction *and*. If they present contrasting ideas, use the conjunction *but* or *or*.

Thinking Questions
How are the two
sentences related? What

connect them?

conjunction can I use to

I am interested in conservation, **but** I have never studied it before.

I am interested in conservation, and I hope to study it in college.

I will study conservation, or I will pursue botany.

Activity Form compound sentences, using a comma and a conjunction. Write your new sentence on the line.

- 1. Dad and I toured the Everglades my sister visited the museum.
- 2. The tour lasted three hours I was glad Dad brought snacks.
- 3. I liked seeing the wild animals. Dad enjoyed looking at the plants.
- 4. I wish we could stay longer our trip will end in two days.
- 5. We could go home now. We could stay for the slide show.