

Correlative Conjunctions

Storm Warriors
Grammar: Complex Sentences

Correlative conjunctions always work in pairs. They connect two words, phrases, or clauses that are parallel.

Correlative conjunctions include *both/and*, *either/or*, *neither/nor*, *not only/but also*, *whether/or*.

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Not only did they make the station a museum, **but** they **also** created a special exhibit.

Thinking Question

What two words work together to connect parallel parts of the sentence?

Activity Circle the correlative conjunctions. Then underline the words, phrases, or clauses they connect.

1. Neither the museum nor the historian could find more than one picture of the surfmen.
2. Both the crew and the surfmen felt relieved.

Activity Use the correlative conjunctions in parentheses to join the two sentences. Write the new sentence.

3. Nathan would become a surfman depending on the outcome of his training. He would become a doctor depending on the outcome of his training. (whether/or)
4. Rescues were often long. They were often dangerous. (both/and)
5. He was a good swimmer. He was a tremendous leader. (not only/but also)