**Learning Objective**

We are learning how to extend sentences using a wider range of conjunctions including if, because, when and although

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**Challenge 1**

**Complete each sentence by choosing the correct conjunction from the following list:**

**if**

**although**

**when**

**because**

1) Mandarin ducks nest in trees \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ it keeps their eggs safe from predators.

2) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the ducklings don’t leave the tree, they will not be able to survive.

3) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ they leapt from the great height, their light weight and fluffy down kept them safe.  
4) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the ducklings are getting ready to jump, their mother calls out encouraging noises to help them.

5) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the female mandarin duck is quite dull looking, the male is quite the opposite.

6) In China, mandarin duck ornaments are sometimes given as good luck presents \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ people get married.

**Challenge 2**

**Complete the sentences using the given conjunction.**

1. Mandarin ducklings are brave **because** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
2. **If** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, the ducklings need to learn to fly.
3. **Although** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, the ducklings have a soft landing.
4. **When** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, they need to feed.
5. The mandarin ducks made their way to the nearest pond **because** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
6. The baby ducklings begin to learn to fly **when** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

**Challenge 3**

Imagine you are an animal journalist! Today you are interviewing the female mandarin duck from the main film clip. What questions would you ask her? Perhaps you would like to know why she chose to nest so high up and what was going through her mind as her ducklings took their leap of faith. Pick 3 of your best questions and then write the answers to them, pretending to be the mother duck. **Your challenge is to make sure there is at least one of the conjunctions listed above in every answer.**