**Learning Objective**

We are learning how to extend sentences using a wider range of conjunctions including *and*, *but* and *or*.

**Challenge 1**

**In each of the extended sentences below, a coordinating conjunction is missing. Which of the following conjunctions will you write in the spaces provided?**

**but**

**or**

**and**

1) The ants locked their legs together \_\_\_\_\_\_ created a living raft.

2) On the water, the ants could be eaten by fish \_\_\_\_\_\_ other predators.

3) Fire ants are amazing insects, \_\_\_\_\_\_ I wouldn’t want to be stung by one!

4) The queen was in grave danger, \_\_\_\_\_\_ fortunately the worker ants came to her rescue.

5) In a fire ant colony there are large worker ants \_\_\_\_\_ there are small worker ants.

6) The ant tried to escape the jaws of the Venus fly trap plant \_\_\_\_\_ there was no way out.

7) The queen could stay in the nest and risk drowning \_\_\_\_\_ she could leave with the others.

**Challenge 2**

**Extend each of the following sentences from the coordinating conjunction.**

1) The worker and soldier ants tried to save their queen, **but** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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2) The ants must work together **or** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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3) The ant raft floated down the river **and** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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4) The ant raft was almost safe, **but\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Challenge 3**

**Using some of the descriptive words from the Word Wall, write your own extended sentences about the fire ants featured in the main film clip. Your sentences must contain a coordinating conjunction (and, but, or).**



**Word Wall**

and, but, or

fire ants

colony

interlocked

precious

pancake-shaped

living raft

queen

teamwork

drifted

larvae