



## IDENTIFYING THE USE OF COORDINATING CONJUNCTIONS IN THE JAKARTA POST'S ARTICLE ; THE UNSUNG HEROES OF INDONESIA'S ECONOMY

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### ABSTRACT

This study aims to make a report on the use of coordinating conjunctions in an article in the Jakarta Post. This article is only written by Sheena Suparman and discuss about the Unsung Heroes of Indonesia's Economy. The researcher found that there are four conjunctions used by the author of the article. The conjunction consists of For, And, But and Or. From the calculations carried out, the Author mostly used the conjunction "And" in his article. Followed by the conjunction "Or" which has been used twice while "For" and "But" were only used once. There is no sentence contained by Nor, Yet and So.

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### INTRODUCTION

Language is a tool to interact or a tool to communicate, therefore language is very important in human life, without language humans cannot interact with other people and it will be difficult to convey intentions and thoughts. Language is used as a tool to convey ideas, thoughts, concepts, and feelings. The most spoken language worldwide is English. (Sopiah & Nurfitriani, 2022).

Language is a structured system of communication. Language is used by humans to communicate either orally or in writing. Language is usually used to express thought, feelings, convey ideas and much more. It will be difficult to communicate and express if the language did not exist. English is an international language and people around the world are speak it or even learn it.

There are many aspects can be found in English grammar. Noun, verb, adjective, conjunction, preposition can be found in the part of speech. Conjunctions are a word that connect the language units such as connecting a sentences, phrases and clauses. There are three types of conjunctions: Coordinating Conjunctions, Subordinating Conjunctions and Correlative Conjunctions. Coordinating Conjunctions usually connect an equal sentences, phrases, and clauses.



## LITERATURE REVIEW

### Definition of Coordinating Conjunction

Coordinating conjunction or also called coordinate conjunction is one of the useful parts of speech. It allows us to connect an equal sentences, phrases, and clauses. Coordinate conjunctions commonly used in all kind of writing such as article, poetry, speech and much more.

Gucker 1996:50 (In Yasmara, 2018) says Coordinate conjunction is A coordinating conjunction is a conjunction (such as and) that joins two similarly constructed and/or syntactically equal words, phrases, or clauses within a sentence. The coordinating conjunctions in English are and, but, for, nor, or, so, yet. Coordinate conjunction are used to join two parts of a sentence that are grammatically equal. The two parts may be single words or clause and coordinate conjunction always come between the words clause that they join. Coordinating conjunctions are normally used to connect sentence elements of the same grammatical class: nouns with nouns, adverbs with adverbs, clauses with clauses. Occurs when different grammatical structures are used co-ordinately for the same grammatical function.

Based on Frank (In Deviyana, 2018:19) that the coordinate conjunction joins structural units that are equal grammatically. The units joined by a coordinate conjunction are labelled compound.<sup>19</sup> When a coordinate conjunction joins two sentences, the conjunction is normally preceded by a comma. Sentences joined by coordinate conjunctions may or may not be of the same basic sentence pattern, as it can be seen by examining the preceding sentences.

An easy way to memorize the coordinate conjunction is by the term FANBOYS. It stands for For And, Nor, But, Or, Yet, So. This is the example of coordinate conjunction:

**Table 1. The example of The Coordinate Conjunction.**

Conjunction	Meaning	Example
For	Because or since	I have to find a new school, for I am dropped out
And	In addition of	I am a boy and student
Nor	And not	Neither my mom nor my friends supported me
But	However,	I have to go to school, but I haven't got a bike
Or	Either	Do you like tea or coffee?
Yet	But	Jack plays basketball well, yet his favorite sports is volleyball
So	Therefore	She was sick, so she couldn't attend the class



### Function of Coordinating Conjunction

It can be seen from the table above that there are rules in the use of commas in a sentence. Sentences that do not have more than one independent clause do not need a comma in it. For example:

If the conjunction joins a sentence with two independent clause

- a. I want to go the mountain in holiday, but my sister want to go to the beach  
(the comma appeared in the front of the conjunction)

Commas is not needed if there is only one independent clause

- b. She likes to play volleyball and badminton  
(no comma is needed)

### METHODOLOGY

This study refers to the descriptive and research. Research with descriptive method is a research method used to clarify social phenomena through various research variables that are interrelated with one another. Widodo, Erna and Mukhtar (2000).

**Table 2. of the Number of Uses of Coordinating Conjunctions**

No	Coordinate Conjunction	The Number of Conjunctions
1.	For	1
2.	And	13
3.	Nor	0
4.	But	1
5.	Or	2
6.	Yet	0
7.	So	0

The number of coordinating conjunctions used in The Jakarta Post's Article; The Unsung Heroes of Indonesia's Economy is 17 coordinating conjunctions.

### CONCLUSION

There are four coordinate conjunctions can be found in the "Jakarta Post: The Unsung Heroes of Indonesia's Economy" written by Sheena Suparman. The conjunctions that were found are For, And, But and Or.



According to the calculation that have been done. The researcher found 17 coordinating conjunctions in the “Jakarta Post : The Unsung Heroes of Indonesia’s Economy” written by Sheena Suparman. It is followed by *For* contains 1 sentence, *And* contains 13 sentences, *But* contains 1 sentence and *Or* contains 2 sentences. There is no sentence were contained by *Nor*, *Yet* and *So*.

It implies that the author mostly used the coordinate conjunction “*And*” in his article.

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