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examples: Chris invited me to his birthday party, and I told him I would be there.

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I was going to buy a candy bar, but I decided to make a healthy choice instead.

Combine each pair of simple sentences to make a compound sentence. Use the conjunction in parenthesis.

1. A small kitten followed me home. I gave it a bowl of milk. (so)

2. We were lost in the woods. My brother had a map in his backpack. (but)



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4. Would you like to go to the movies? Would you rather stay home tonight? (or)

5. Mr. Sanchez loved his new office. He didn't like the view. (but)

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7. José wants to be an astronaut when he grows up. Maria wants to be a nurse. (and)

8. Dr. Neu told Greg to floss his teeth every day. He didn't listen. (but)

9. The tigers at the zoo are always sleeping. The penguins are fun to watch. (but)

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