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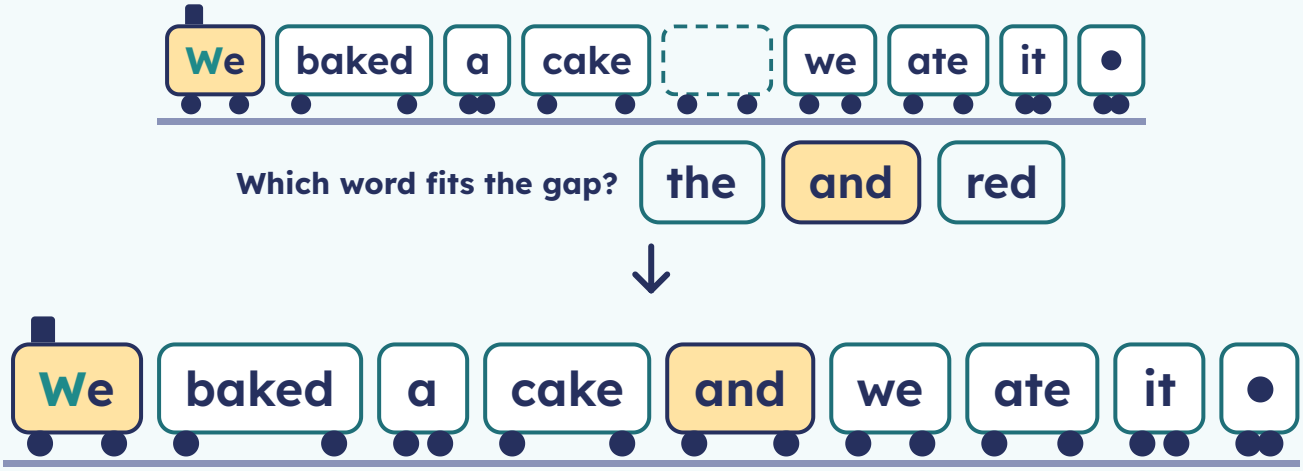
Join two ideas

Choose the joining word **and** to glue two ideas together.

1 Learn



Only a joining word can glue two ideas together. Words like **the** or **red** can't do it, but **and** can!



Try each word in the gap

1. "We baked a cake **the** we ate it." That doesn't make sense.
2. "We baked a cake **red** we ate it." That doesn't make sense either.
3. "We baked a cake **and** we ate it." Yes! **and** joins the two ideas.

Flip's tip: don't join too many ideas! "and… and… and…" makes a sentence hard to read. Two ideas is plenty.

Warm up: draw a ring round the joining word.

up and sun dog red and

Grown-ups: read each try aloud, even the silly ones, so your child can hear which word fits.

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2 Try it together a child and a grown-up, about 10 minutes



Picture pairs

You need: a picture book with busy pictures, and a pencil.

1. Open the book at a busy picture.
2. Your child finds two things happening: "The boy is running." "The dog is barking."
3. Join them with **and**: "The boy is running **and** the dog is barking."
4. Take turns, page by page. Who can find the funniest pair?

Write your best joined sentence:

Grown-ups: help your child hear that the joined sentence has one start (one capital letter) and one end (one full stop).

3 Practise

A. Which word joins the two ideas? Draw a ring round it.

1 The cat sat ____ it purred . | and | cat | up

2 I fell ____ I hurt my leg . | red | and | the

3 Leo fell over ____ he got up . | big | sun | and

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B. Join the two ideas with **and**. Write one sentence.

1 **The sun set. The stars came out.**

2 **Zoe made a card. She gave it to her friend.**

3 **I fed the fish. I fed the cat.**

C. Write a sentence about your day. Join two ideas with **and**.

Challenge

Ella wrote: **I ran and I jumped and I hopped and I skipped and I fell over.**
Is it easy to read? How could she make it better?

I can... Tick when you can.

- [ ] choose and to join two ideas
- [ ] join two sentences into one
- [ ] keep my and sentences short