And, But, Or

Grade 3

Name _____ Date _____

Remember: and joins ideas that go together · **but** joins ideas that are different · **or** gives a **choice**.

Test: Is it a choice? Use *or*. A surprise or difference? Use *but*. More of the same? Use *and*.

1. Adds, different or choice?

What job does the joining word do? Circle **adds**, **different** or **choice**.



1	We can walk or take the bus.	adds	different	choice
2	I like math, but reading is hard for me.	adds	different	choice
3	Ana packed a sandwich and an apple.	adds	different	choice
4	Do you want the red cup or the blue one?	adds	different	choice
5	The cake looked burnt, but it tasted great.	adds	different	choice
6	Grandpa sings and plays the guitar.	adds	different	choice

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2. And, but or or?

Circle the right joining word.

1. Should we play tag _____ hide-and-seek? (and) (or) (but)
2. My dog is small, _____ he barks loudly. (but) (or) (and)
3. I washed my hands _____ dried them. (or) (but) (and)
4. You can paint _____ draw at the art table. (but) (and) (or)
5. The water was cold, _____ we jumped in anyway. (but) (or) (and)
6. Lena _____ Kofi are best friends. (or) (and) (but)

Answer Key

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1. Adds, different or choice?

1	We can walk or take the bus.	adds	different	**choice**
2	I like math, but reading is hard for me.	adds	**different**	choice
3	Ana packed a sandwich and an apple.	**adds**	different	choice
4	Do you want the red cup or the blue one?	adds	different	**choice**
5	The cake looked burnt, but it tasted great.	adds	**different**	choice
6	Grandpa sings and plays the guitar.	**adds**	different	choice

2. And, but or or?

1	Should we play tag **or** hide-and-seek?	and	**or**	but
2	My dog is small, **but** he barks loudly.	**but**	or	and
3	I washed my hands **and** dried them.	or	but	**and**
4	You can paint **or** draw at the art table.	but	and	**or**
5	The water was cold, **but** we jumped in anyway.	**but**	or	and
6	Lena **and** Kofi are best friends.	or	**and**	but