



## Connettivi del discorso

I connettivi sono gli avverbi e le congiunzioni che permettono di collegare frasi e periodi in un discorso in maniera coerente e logica. A seconda della loro funzione, i connettivi possono essere suddivisi in varie categorie.

- **Tempo:** *after, before, when, while, as soon as, just as, until/till, since, meanwhile, in the meantime, then, after that, afterwards, later on, at first, finally, eventually, in the end, etc.*
- **Inclusione, esclusione, alternative:** *and, as well as, both... and, neither... nor, either... or, otherwise.*
- **Modo:** *as, as if, as though, in the way, like.*
- **Scopo:** *so as to, in order to, so that, in case, for fear that.*
- **Causa e effetto:** *as, since, because, owing to, due to, as a result, so, therefore, thus, consequently, so that.*
- **Dubbio:** *if, whether.*
- **Aggiunta, contrasto:** *what's more, on top of that, in addition, besides, furthermore, moreover, however, all the same, in any case, despite, although, though, even though, while, whereas, on the contrary, etc.*
- **Struttura del discorso:** *by the way, as for, as to, regarding, as regards, with reference to, actually, in fact, in my view, in my opinion, according to, as far as I know, as a rule, in general, on the whole, for example, for instance, that is to say, first, second, third, finally, on the one hand, on the other hand, etc.*

### ACTIVITIES

1 Inserisci il connettivo corretto nelle frasi (più di una soluzione è possibile).

- 1 Maria's family wanted to give her a proper education ..... the difficulties of the time.
- 2 Give me a phone call ..... you arrive home.
- 3 I'll stay here ..... everyone else has finished.
- 4 Mum was making a cake ..... dad was laying the table.
- 5 Finish all your homework now, ..... you can go out with your friends later.
- 6 ..... they were very tired, they decided to go out anyway.
- 7 ..... I finish my report, I think I will hand it in tomorrow at the latest.
- 8 They are not coming with us, .....
- 9 Jim and Faith are friendly and nice, ..... Bruce and Mary are rude and mean.
- 10 Chemistry is a very broad science, and ..... chemists can be found in a lot of areas of employment.

2 Collega le due frasi con un connettivo adeguato tra quelli indicati.

- 1 I finished my homework. My mum told me that I couldn't go out. (in case/but/until)
- 2 He will bring us a new copy of his book. We can read it. (because/when/so that)
- 3 The gym will still be closed. They officially opened yesterday. (so that/when/even though)
- 4 He will not be allowed to go out. He has finished all his homework. (until/but/so that)
- 5 He has booked a room at the hotel. He is not certain whether he is leaving or not. (because/even though/when)
- 6 She entered the shop. She didn't find what she was looking for. (if/but/in case)
- 7 Bring your jacket with you. It gets cold later. (but/if/in case)
- 8 They decided to go to the beach. It was about to rain. (because/even though/afterwards)