



**Advanced Level 1**  
**Lesson 11 - Lesson Preparation Pack**

**Topic: Pet birds**

**Let's chat**

Encourage conversational English by chatting about how we are feeling, the weather, the date and what we've been up to.

**Start with a song**

My parrot Pepe - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Z6PvWRxCDwk>

**Top 5 birds kept as pets**

- Cockatiel
- African Grey
- Budgerigar (also commonly known as a budgie)
- Cockatoo
- Canary

**Accessories**

- bird cage
- feeder (water and seeds)
- cuttlebone
- perch
- toys (mirrors, ladders, swings and bells)

**Grammar Focus - Conjunctions**

Conjunctions are also called **connecting or joining words**.

Conjunctions are words used to join phrases and sentences together or to show contrast (when two phrases or sentences are opposite).

**Example**

In the sentences below we use the conjunction **and** to join two sentences together and the conjunction **but** to show contrast.

I like parrots. I like canaries. I don't like cockatiels.

I like parrots **and** canaries **but** I don't like cockatiels.



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An easy way to remember the **main 7 conjunctions** is to remember the word **FANBOYS**

- **F** is for the conjunction - **for**
- **A** is for the conjunction - **and**
- **N** is for the conjunction - **nor**
- **B** is for the conjunction - **but**
- **O** is for the conjunction - **or**
- **Y** is for the conjunction - **yet**
- **S** is for the conjunction - **so**

**7 main conjunctions**

- **for (or because)** - for explaining why.  
When using "**for**" to join sentences always use a comma before the word. A comma is not needed when using the connecting word "**because**".
- **and** - to join two phrases or sentences that are similar or the same together
- **nor** - is used when using the word "**neither**" - to show two contrasting negatives
- **but** - to show contrast
- **or** - to show an alternative
- **yet** - to show contrast
- **so** - to show the result or consequence

**Listen to a song**

Conjunctions - Let's bring it all together -

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=k2ug9xr0Ias>

**Reading Exercise**

(Let's read the following sentences and then use **conjunctions** to join the two sentences together to make one sentence or to show the contrast between the two sentences that have opposite meanings)

I want an African Grey.

I want to teach it to talk.

I want an African Grey, **for** I want to teach it to talk.

I want an African Grey **because** I want to teach it to talk.



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I want to buy a bird cage.

I want to buy some accessories.

I want to buy a bird cage **and** some accessories.

I don't want a big bird cage.

I don't want a bird cage that is too small.

I want **neither** a big bird cage **nor** do I want one that's too small.

I want to buy bird toys.

I can't afford to buy everything.

I want to buy bird toys **but** I can't afford to buy everything.

I want to buy a mirror.

I want to buy a ladder.

I can't afford both.

I **either** want to buy a mirror **or** a ladder **as** I can't afford both. (**as** is also a conjunction).

I am not a pet lover.

I may consider having a bird as a pet.

I am not a pet lover **yet** I may consider having a bird as a pet.

My parents do not want me to have a pet.

I can't have a parrot as a pet.

My parents do not want me to have a pet **so** I can't have a parrot as a pet

**Pick a card**

Pick a card, choose between the two tasks on the reverse side of the card, complete the task correctly and be awarded with a dog biscuit for every correct task completed.



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**Additional songs/video clips**

Download and listen to these additional songs/video clips about birds and conjunctions.

What is a bird - [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=C14MvIZ5I\\_s](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=C14MvIZ5I_s)

Conjunction song - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yarxGq1Ens>

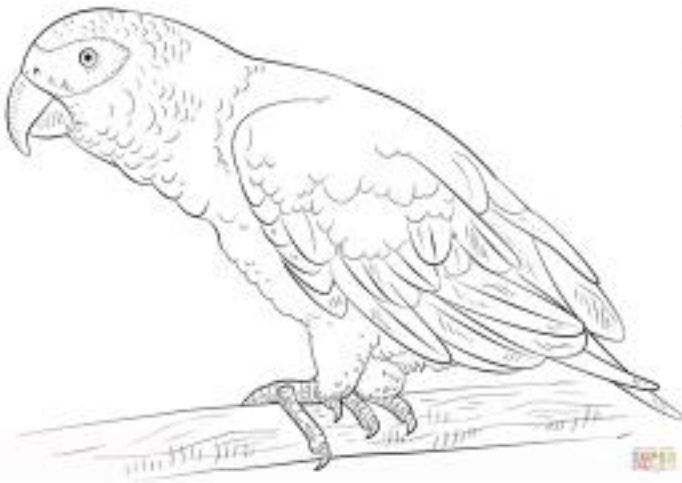
**Printable Worksheets**

(Print out the colour fun pages and crossword below for students to complete to help prepare for their upcoming lesson or to revise after their lesson, or both).

- Colour in fun - Pet birds
- Conjunction worksheet using **and** to join together and **but** to show contrast.



## COLOR FUN - PET BIRDS



African grey



budgerigar (budgie)



canaries



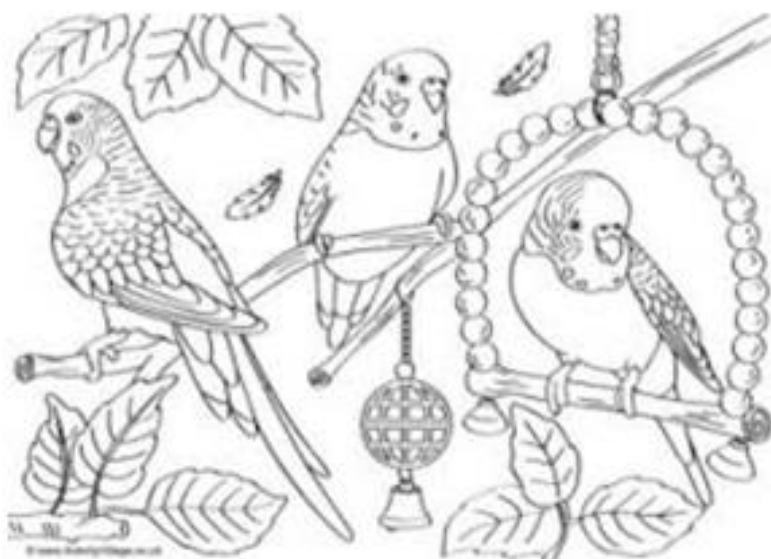
cockatiel



## COLOR FUN - PET BIRDS



cockatoo



pet bird swing and toys



## Fill in the Blanks – Basic Conjunctions – And/Or

*Directions:* Fill in the blank with the correct conjunction.

Choices

1) Orange \_\_\_\_\_ yellow are both colors.

and  
or

2) Circles \_\_\_\_\_ squares are both shapes.

and  
or

3) You can use a pen \_\_\_\_\_ a pencil.

and  
or

4) Are you a boy \_\_\_\_\_ a girl?

and  
or

5) Lizards can swim \_\_\_\_\_ walk.

and  
or

6) He will get chocolate milk \_\_\_\_\_ white milk  
for lunch.

and  
or

7) Put on your shoes \_\_\_\_\_ socks.

and  
or