Lesson 2 Structure, Punctuation, and Conjunctions.

Structure in Writing

- Structure refers to a writer's particular order or pattern to present ideas.
- Example: In a typical essay, the structure might include an introduction, body paragraphs with supporting details, and a conclusion.
- A well-structured piece of writing is easier to follow and understand, enhancing clarity and coherence.



Importance of Punctuation

- Punctuation marks, such as periods, commas, and parentheses, play a crucial role in writing.
- Proper punctuation ensures the reader interprets the text correctly and understands the author's intended message.
- They help separate sentences and their elements, clarify meaning, and indicate pauses or emphasis.
- Example: Without proper punctuation, the sentence "Let's eat, Grandma!" changes its meaning to "Let's eat Grandma!"



Role of Conjunctions

- Conjunctions are words used to connect clauses or sentences, or to coordinate words within the same clause.
- Common conjunctions include "and," "but," "or," "nor," "for," "yet," and "so."
- They help create smooth transitions between ideas, clarify relationships between clauses, and improve the flow of writing.
- Example: "She enjoys reading novels, but she prefers watching movies."

CONJUNCTIONS

Conjunctions	Examples
'And' is used to join words or sentences that show a similar idea.	a) I have a pencil and an eraser.b) Patricia and Siti are neighbours.
'But' is used to join two ideas that are opposites.	 a) Param is poor but he is happy. b) He fell into the drain but was not hurt.
'Because' is used to show reason.	 a) I did not go swimming because it was raining. b) We could not sleep because it was too hot.
'So' is used to show result.	 a) It was raining, so the game was cancelled. b) She studied hard, so she passed the test.
'Or' is used to show a choice.	 a) Do you prefer tea or coffee? b) You can order pizza or fried chicken.
'If' is used to show condition.	 a) I will not go if Cindy goes. b) If you see Darus, tell him that Mrs Tan wants to see him.
'Although' is used to show two opposite statements.	 a) Although she was sick, she still went to school. b) Although he is tired, he continues working.

Practice Regularly: Consistent writing improves your skills in structure, punctuation, and conjunction usage. **Proofread Thoroughly:** Take time to review and correct errors in your writing to ensure clarity and coherence.

Effective Implementation

Seek Feedback: Solicit feedback from peers or teachers to identify areas for improvement in your writing mechanics. Utilize Resources: Use grammar books, online guides, and writing resources to deepen your understanding and skills.

Experiment and Revise: Try out different writing techniques, and revise your work to refine your use of mechanics for optimal impact.