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Sentence Combining: Subjects and Verbs

Sentences with the same subjects and verbs can sound repetitive in writing. Read the following sentences to determine whether they share the same subject or the same verb. Combine the sentences however you can. You can use coordinating or subordinating conjunctions.

1.	Thomas' friends seemed so strange. They were being friendly, though.
2.	The cactus is thirsty. The cactus is not getting enough sunlight.
3.	My mug was in the cupboard. My mug is no longer in the cupboard.
4.	Drew's dog jumped into the air. Janine's dog jumped into the air as well.
5.	The book fell to the floor. It opened to a page I had never read before.
6.	Your face has scars on it. Your face looks friendly.
7.	I think you were right. You were a little rude.
8.	Everyone is lying to me. They want to protect me.
9.	Stop dancing like that. Sit back down in your chair.
10.	Mr. Brown walked to the store. His pet monkey Ralph walked along with him.



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ANSWER KEY

1. Thomas' friends seemed so strange. They were being friendly, though.

Thomas' friends seemed so strange **even though** they were being friendly.

2. The cactus is thirsty. The cactus is not getting enough sunlight.

The cactus is thirsty **because** it's not getting enough sunlight.

3. My mug was in the cupboard. My mug is no longer in the cupboard.

My mug was in the cupboard, **but** it's not there anymore.

4. Drew's dog jumped into the air. Janine's dog jumped into the air as well.

Drew's and Janine's dogs jumped into the air.

5. The book fell to the floor. It opened to a page I had never read before.

The book fell to the floor and opened to a page I had never read before.

6. Your face has scars on it. Your face looks friendly.

Your face has scars on it, **but** it looks friendly.

7. I think you were right. You were a little rude.

I think you were right, **but/although** you were a little rude.

8. Everyone is lying to me. They want to protect me.

Everyone is lying to me **because** they want to protect me.

9. Stop dancing like that. Sit back down in your chair.

Stop dancing like that and sit back down in your chair.

10. Mr. Brown walked to the store. His pet monkey Ralph walked along with him.

Mr. Brown and his pet monkey Ralph walked to the store.

