

STARTER UNIT 4

linkers: *and, because*

speakout WRITING TIP

We use *and* and *because* to connect our ideas.

We use *and* to add more information.

I like tennis and I like swimming.

He has two brothers and a sister.

I watch films and meet my friends at the weekend.

We use *because* to give a reason or an explanation.

I'm a chef because I love cooking.

I like London because it's very exciting.

I don't go to the cinema every weekend because it's expensive.

1 Match the sentence halves.

1 I like American football ...

2 I love Carrie ...

3 I work in the day ...

4 I have two sisters ...

5 I live in a house with my parents ...

6 Dave is fat ...

7 I drink a lot of coffee ...

8 At the weekend I go to the cinema ...

a) and I sometimes work in the evenings.

b) and my brother.

c) because he eats a lot of fast food.

d) and I watch TV.

e) because she's funny and interesting.

f) because it's exciting.

g) and a brother.

h) because I work in a café.

2 Write sentences with the words *and* and *because*.

1 I / like / life in Japan / interesting.

2 She / live / big house / have / big car.

3 They / not have / car / they / travel / horse.

4 He / like / pizza / he / like / pasta.

5 We / like / school / fun.

6 The party / start / 8pm / finish / 9pm.

7 I / 23 years old / live / London.

8 She / speak / French / come / France.

3 Complete the texts with *and* or *because*.



I'm English ¹ _____ I like England, but I'm in Australia now ² _____ life is good here. I like the people in Australia ³ _____ I also like the food. I have a car ⁴ _____ the country is very big. At the weekend I drive to the beach ⁵ _____ I swim in the sea.



I'm from London ¹ _____ I live in London now. I live with my parents ² _____ it's expensive to live in a flat with friends. I study at university ³ _____ I work in a restaurant. I study history ⁴ _____ I think it's interesting. I'm always tired because I study in the day ⁵ _____ I work in the evenings.



I'm Irish ¹ _____ I live in Dublin. My parents live in the countryside but I live in the city ² _____ I work as a doctor ³ _____ the hospital is here. I don't go out much ⁴ _____ I work in the evenings ⁵ _____ I don't have a lot of free time.

4 Write about your life. Connect your ideas using *and* and *because*. Use the texts in exercise 3 to help you. Write 50–70 words.