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Conjunctions: Chart of Comparisons

There is a very strong temptation when writing just to join everything with coordinating conjunctions; they are simple and short. However, they are also a little boring. To make papers more interesting, try substituting "joiners" with similar meaning from the chart below.

Coordinating	Subordinating	Conjunctive Adverb	Other
for	because since as inasmuch as seeing that		as a result seeing that
and		moreover furthermore also in addition additionally in fact indeed likewise for example for instance in fact similarly	
nor			
but	unless if. . . not although even though	on the contrary on the other hand however nevertheless contrarily	except except that save still in contrast despite that
or	else	otherwise conversely alternatively optionally in other words on the other hand contrarily on the contrary	by way of contrast in contrast
yet		in addition additionally moreover too also besides as well furthermore	more than that still
so		thus therefore hence consequently accordingly	because of that that being the case on that account that being so to sum up