FANBOYS

Coordinating Conjunctions (FANBOYS)	These are used to make a **compound sentence** out of two independent clauses (or complete sentences). Using the word **FANBOYS** makes it easy to remember the coordinating conjunctions. **When using a fanboy to connect two sentences, a comma goes before the fanboy.**

F	**A**	**N**	**B**	**O**	**Y**	**S**
For	And	Nor	But	Or	Yet	So

For:	The word **for** may be used instead of **because**.
Example: Julie did not go to school**, for** she was ill.	

And:	The word **and** connects two related ideas.
Example: Cesar loves to dance, **and** he enjoys singing.	

Nor:	**Nor**, which is similar to neither, makes the sentence negative.
Example: Maria does **not** miss a day of work, **nor** does she miss a day of school.	

But:	**But** is used to show a contrast between the two connected sentences.
Example: Jennifer loves her rabbits, **but** she is afraid of her roosters.	

Or:	**Or** is used to show a choice between the two ideas being connected.
Example: Ana can go to the movies, **or** she can go to her exercise class.	

Yet:	**Yet**, like but, is used to show contrast between the two sentences.
Example: Michael likes San Luis Obispo, **yet** he can't afford a house there.	

So:	**So** is used to connect two sentences when a result is shown.
Example: Martha enjoys going to the beach, **so** she is moving to Pismo Beach.	