

Correlative Conjunctions

Correlative conjunctions are sort of like tag-team conjunctions. They come in pairs, and you have to use both of them in different places in a sentence to make them work. They get their name from the fact that they work together (co-) and relate one sentence element to another.

Correlative Conjunctions	Example
both/and	I'll have both the cheesecake and the frozen hot chocolate.
whether/or	I didn't know whether you'd want the cheesecake or the frozen hot chocolate, so I got you both.
either/or	I want either the cheesecake or the frozen hot chocolate.
neither/nor	Oh, you want neither the cheesecake nor the frozen hot chocolate? No problem.
not/but	I see you're in the mood not for dessert but appetizers. I'll help you with those too.
not only/but also	I'll eat them both - not only the cheesecake but also the frozen hot chocolate.

