7. Conjunctions

COORDINATING CONJUNCTIONS

BUT — The bowlers tried to beat the batsman many times, but they could not take the wicket.

OR — I could do this work by myself, or we could do it together.

YET — The two actors are fierce rivals, yet they respect each other's work.

SO — The boys were making a lot of noise, so the teacher had to punish them.

FOR — Priya must have been sick, for she was looking very pale.

AND — The jewel thief was hiding in the basement, and the police was looking for him on the ground floor.

NOR — The bowlers tried to beat the batsman many times, but they could not take the wicket.

CORRELATIVE CONJUNCTIONS

BOTH-AND — Both my uncle and my aunt have won medals at the Olympics.

NOT ONLY-BUT ALSO — Aamir not only acted in the movie but also directed it.

EITHER-OR — As a birthday gift you may have either a puppy or parrot.

NEITHER-NOR — Tarun wanted neither the chocolate nor the apple pie.
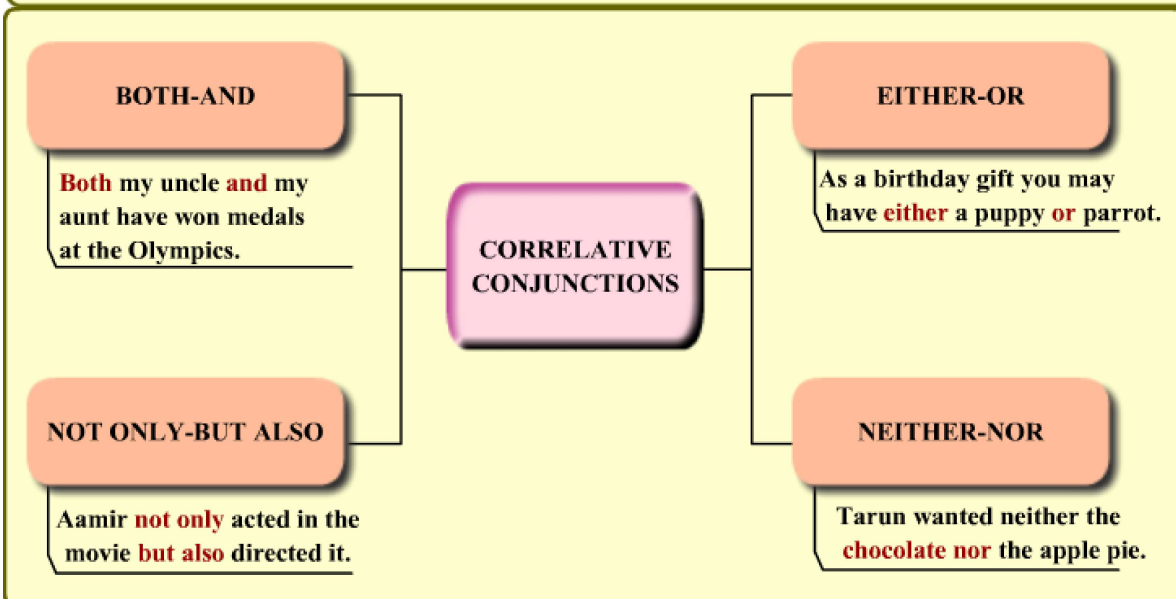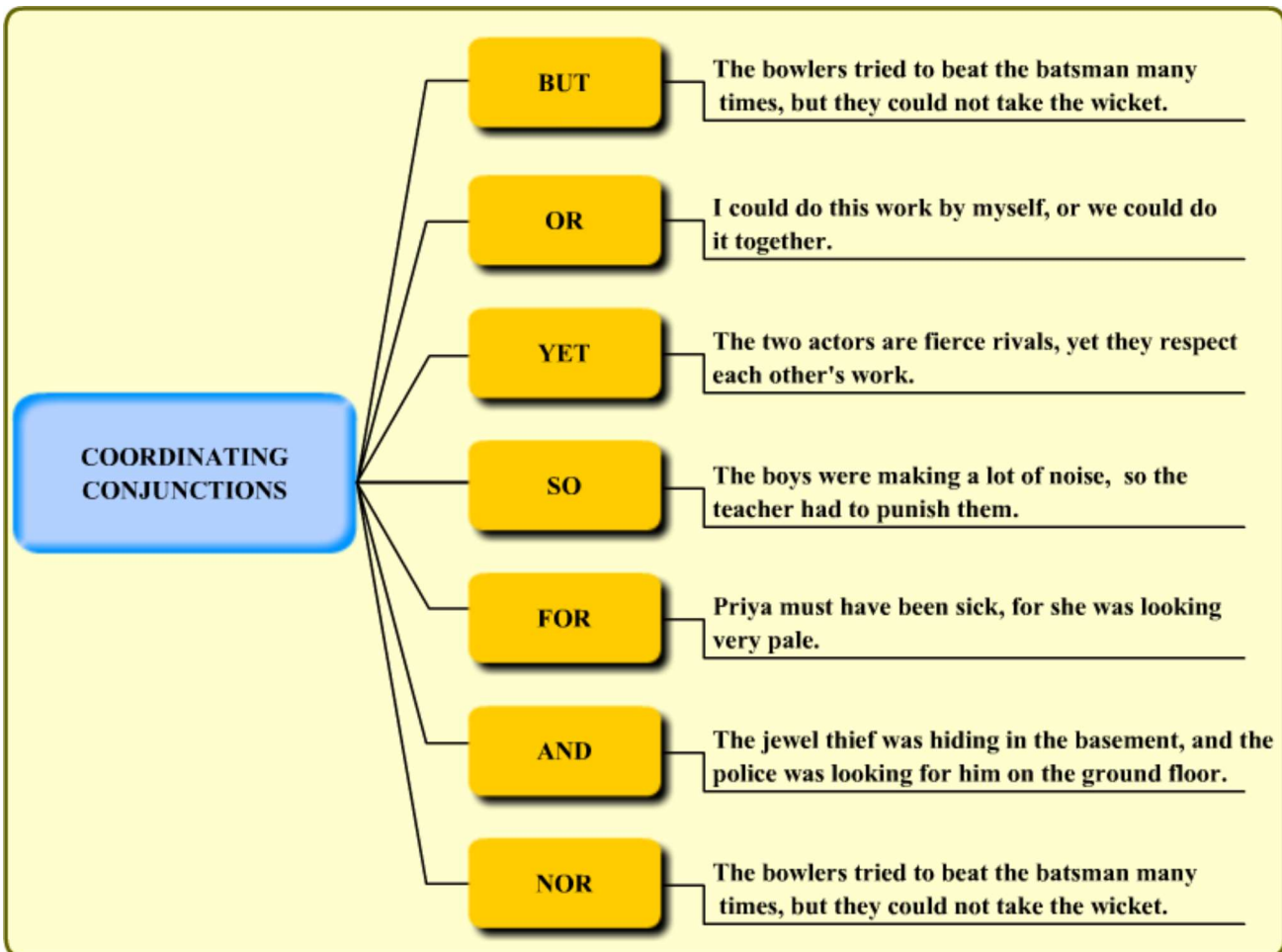
SUBORDINATING CONJUNCTIONS

Showing the relation of condition

You cannot hope to win the gold **unless** you practice regularly.

Showing the relation of contrast

I would like to try again **even though** I have failed five times before.

Showing the relation of time

The crowd went mad **after** the fall of Sachin's wicket.

Showing the relation of reason

Jagjit did not laugh at the joke **because** he failed to understand it.

Showing the relation of doubt

I cannot say **if** it has stopped raining