## **Compound Sentences** Sheet 3

A compound sentence is two simple sentences (independent clauses) joined together using a conjunction.

| Conjunctions |     |     |     |  |
|--------------|-----|-----|-----|--|
| for          | and | but | SO  |  |
| because      | nor | or  | yet |  |

**1.** Read each simple sentence. Think of an independent clause you could join to it using one of the conjunctions above. Re-write your new compound sentence on the line. The first one has been done.

The gate slammed shut.

| The gate slammed shut and the dog barked |  |  |  |
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| The shop was closing soon.               |  |  |  |
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| It was well past her bedtime.            |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |
| The family bought a new car.             |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |
| The boy wouldn't eat his vegetables.     |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |
| She followed the path home.              |  |  |  |
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**2.** Circle the clauses in each of your compound sentences. Underline the conjunction you used to join the clauses together.

For example: The gate slammed shut and the dog barked.



Make sure each clause is a complete thought.