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- A **conjunction** joins words or groups of words. *And*, *but*, and *or* are conjunctions.
- A sentence that contains two sentences joined by *and*, *but*, or *or* is called a **compound sentence**.
- In a **compound sentence**, a comma is placed before the conjunction.

Read each sentence below. Underline the conjunction, and put a comma in the correct place.

1. Limited rainfall or lengthy drought can cause wildfires but these fires can also be caused by campfires or a stray match.
2. Helicopters can drop chemicals to slow flames and firefighters can set up fire lines.
3. Tiny bonsai trees may look like young plants but they are full grown.
4. Many areas in the world are covered with trees but the Arctic tundra is treeless.
5. Moisture is absorbed and then it evaporates and falls as rain.

Read each sentence below. If it is a compound sentence, write C on the line. If it is not a compound sentence, leave the line blank.

6. There are no leaves to decompose and make the ground suitable for growth. _____
7. Some plants will not thrive in a coniferous forest, but some animals do well in this biome. _____
8. North America, Europe, and eastern Asia all have deciduous forests. _____

