

## CONJUNCTIONS.

A Conjunction is a word used to connect words or sentences in construction ; as, James and John are happy because they are good."

In the above example, *and* connects the parts of the sentence, *James and John are happy, and they are good*, the words *and* and *because* are, therefore, conjunctions.

## CLASSES OF CONJUNCTIONS.

Conjunctions may be divided into two general classes ; *Copulative* and *Disjunctive*.

I. A Copulative Conjunction is one which denotes an *addition*, a *consequence*, a *purpose*, a *reason*, or a *supposition*.

The copulative conjunctions are *also*, *and*, *as*, *because*, *both*, *even*, *for*, *if*, *seeing*, *since*, *so*, *that*, *then*, and *therefore*.

II. A Disjunctive Conjunction is one which denotes a *choice*, a *comparison*, a *separation*, or a *restriction*.

The disjunctive conjunctions are *although*, *but*, *either*, *else*, *except*, *lest*, *neither*, *nevertheless*, *nor*, *notwithstanding*, *or*, *provided*, *than*, *though*, *unless*, *yet*, *whereas*, and *whether*.

**EXERCISE I.**—Write eight sentences containing copulative conjunctions :—eight, containing disjunctive conjunctions.

**EXERCISE II.**—Parse the *conjunctions* in the following sentences :—

**MODEL.**—“Edward and Frank are happy, because they are good.”  
And is a conjunction, because, etc.; it is a copulative conjunction, because, etc.; it connects the two nouns *Edward* and *Frank*, between which it is placed.

*Because* is a conjunction, because, etc.; it connects the two sentences *Edward and Frank are happy, and they are good*, between which it is placed.

1. If we cannot remove pain, we may at least alleviate it. 2. Let your character be pure and upright, that you may deserve the