

PURPOSE, CASE AND RESULT

PURPOSE AND RESULT	SO AS (NOT) TO (IN ORDER) NOT TO TO AVOID ...-ING
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Examples: I got up early **so as not** to be late for the train.

I got up early **(in order) not to** be late for the train.

I got up early **to avoid being** late for the train

Exercise 1

1 I will work longer today because I want to have tomorrow off.

I will go on working longer today...

2 They spoke quietly so as not to wake their parents.

They spoke quietly...

3 He didn't switch the light on because he didn't want to disturb the baby.

To...

4 Always proofread your composition to avoid making silly mistakes.

Always proofread your composition...

5 He picked up the vase very carefully, because he didn't want to break it.

He picked up the vase very carefully so...

PURPOSE AND RESULT	PURPOSE AND RESULT SO THAT PREVENT (SB) FROM ...-ING STOP (SB) ...-ING
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Examples: We must do everything so that the children stop smoking.

We must do everything to prevent the children from smoking.

We must do everything to stop the children smoking.

Exercise 2

1 We must consider what to do to stop Peter and Betty thinking about a divorce.

We must consider what to do...

2 We should talk to John so that he won't feel we're hiding things from him.

We should talk to John...

3 Be nice to your father so that he won't change his mind about letting you go to the party.

Be nice to your father to...

4 Nothing was going to stop me becoming an actor.

Nothing was going to...

5 Whatever you say isn't going to prevent me from marrying Greg.

Whatever you say isn't going to...

PURPOSE AND RESULT	SO THAT... MAY/MIGHT/SHOULD/CAN/COULD
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- Examples:** I will learn Japanese **so that I may** be able to talk to my new girl-friend, Mitsuko.
 I will learn Japanese **so that I can** talk to my new girl-friend, Mitsuko.
 I bought five new teddy bears **so that** all the **children could/should/might**

Exercise 3

- 1 I will work longer today because I want to have tomorrow off.
I will work longer today so that...
- 2 I drove to the city earlier to avoid the rush hour.
I drove to the city earlier so that...
- 3 We hid the box carefully because we didn't want anyone to see it.
We hid the box carefully so that...
- 4 I turned the radio down because I didn't want to disturb my neighbours.
I turned the radio down so...
- 5 I got up early to be ready to leave by 8.
I got up early so that.

PURPOSE	FOR + NOUN/PRONOUN + TO-INFINITIVE
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Example: I'll leave some money **for you to buy** yourself a lunch.

Exercise 4

- 1 I'll leave some money so that you can buy some fruit.
I'll leave some money for...
- 2 I put the message up on the board so that everyone could see it.
I put the message up on the board for...
- 3 I've brought a cake my mother made so that my friends could try it.
I've brought a cake my mother made for...
- 4 The teacher bought a lot of copies of the book so that all the students could read it.
The teacher bought a lot of copies of the book for...
- 5 I have bought this book so that you can study English structures.
I have bought this book for...

CONSEQUENCE AND RESULT	SO+ADJECTIVE/ADVERB/NOUN+AS+TO-INFINITIVE ADJECTIVE/ADVERB+ENOUGH+TO-INFINITIVE
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- Examples:** She is **so foolish to believe** everything he tells her.
 She is **foolish enough to believe** everything he tells her.
 She is **too foolish not to believe** everything he tells her.

Exercise 5

- 1 She arrived too late to catch the train.
She didn't...
- 2 It was too cold to swim in the lake.
It wasn't...
- 3 The room isn't big enough to put all the furniture in.
The room is...
- 4 Would you be so kind as to open the window?
Would you be kind...
- 5 We are too poor to throw away all these clothes.
We aren't...

CONSEQUENCE AND RESULT	NOT + ADJECTIVE/ADVERB ENOUGH (+ FOR + NOUN/PRONOUN) + TO-INFINITIVE
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Example: The weather was **not warm enough for me** really **to enjoy** the trip.

Exercise 6

- 1 The lecturer spoke so fast that I couldn't take any notes.
The lecturer didn't...
- 2 The lighting in the library was so dim that I couldn't read by it.
The lighting...
- 3 The coffee was too weak for me.
The coffee wasn't...
- 4 The lake was so shallow that I couldn't swim in it.
The lake wasn't...
- 5 Mathematics is too difficult for me to understand.
Mathematics isn't...

CONSEQUENCE AND RESULT	TOO + ADJECTIVE/ADVERB (+ FOR + NOUN/PRONOUN) + TO-INFINITIVE
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Example: The problem was **too difficult for me to solve**.

Exercise 7

- 1 The stick was very thick. I couldn't break it. I wasn't strong enough.
The stick...

- 2 This tea is so hot that I cannot drink it.
This tea is too...
- 3 This water is so cold that we cannot swim in it.
This water is...
- 4 The examination questions were too difficult for me to answer.
The examination questions were so...
- 5 The coffee was so sweet that I couldn't drink it.
The coffee was too...

RESULT	SO + ADJECTIVE/ADVERB/NOUN + THAT-CLAUSE
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Example: It is *so heavy that* I cannot lift it.

Exercise 8

- 1 This box is very heavy. I can hardly move it.
This box is so...
- 2 It was hot. I couldn't sleep.
It was so...
- 3 He didn't speak loudly enough for me to hear him.
He spoke so...
- 4 He isn't handsome enough for me to have a date with.
He is so...
- 5 We lost the way. It was very dark.
It was so...

RESULT	SO + ADJECTIVE/ADVERB/NOUN + THAT-CLAUSE TOO + ADJECTIVE/ADVERB (+ FOR + NOUN/ PRONOUN) + TO-INFINITIVE
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Examples: I was *too tired to watch* the film.

I was *so tired that* I couldn't/wasn't able to watch the film.

Exercise 9

- 1 I was so hungry that I couldn't wait for lunch.
I was...
- 2 I was so tired that I couldn't finish reading the article.
I was....
- 3 The ice cream was too tasty to stop eating it.
The ice cream was so...
- 4 I was so ill that I couldn't get up.
I was too...
- 5 It was too dark to see anything.
It wasn't...

RESULT	SUCH+ADJECTIVE/ADVERB/NOUN+THAT-CLAUSE
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Example: He was *such a good swimmer that* he always won first prize.

Exercise 10

1. He was a very good swimmer. He always won first prize.
He was such....
2. The fur coat is so expensive that I can't afford to buy it.
It's such...
3. My car is in a bad condition. I must have it repaired.
My car is in such...
4. The cake is so nice that I think I'll have another piece.
It's such...
5. She is extremely bright. She is always the first to solve all the maths problems.
She is such...

CAUSE, REASON, AND RESULT	
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- Examples:**
- Because** it was raining, we stayed at home.
 - Because** of the rain, we stayed at home.
 - As** it was raining, we stayed at home.
 - Since** it was raining, we stayed at home.
 - Seeing that** it was raining, we stayed at home.
 - The rain was **the reason for** our staying at home.
 - The reason why** we stayed at home was the rain.
 - The reason why** we stayed at home was that it was raining.

Exercise 11

1. He was absent because of his illness.
The reason...
2. He was absent because of his illness.
He was absent...
3. He wasn't accepted because of his age.
He wasn't accepted by reason...
4. I helped Mary to carry her bag because I saw she couldn't manage it herself.
Seeing...
5. My brother was fired because of his dishonesty.
My brother was fired because...

PRECAUTION	(JUST) IN CASE
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Note: You use in case when you are mentioning a possible future situation which is someone's reason for doing something. When you are talking about someone's reason for doing something in the past, you use the simple past tense or *should* + infinitive in the reason clause.

- Examples:** I will stay here (*just*) **in case** anything unusual happens.
 I closed the window **in case** it started to rain.
 I closed the window **in case** it should start to rain.

Exercise 12

- 1 Put the milk in the fridge. Otherwise it may turn sour.
Put the milk in the fridge in case...
- 2 Take your umbrella with you because it might rain.
Take your umbrella with you in case...
- 3 I took a coat with me because I thought it might get cold.
I took a coat with me in case...
- 4 I packed my swimsuit because I thought I might have time to go to the beach.
I packed my swimsuit in case...
- 5 He wrote the address in his notebook in case he forgot it.
He wrote the address in his notebook...

CAUSE	PARTICIPIAL CONSTRUCTION
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- Examples:** *Being* poor, he couldn't afford a car.
Having eaten all the food, they couldn't offer any to the guests.

Exercise 13

- 1 As there were a lot of people at the theatre, we were lucky to find seats.
There...
- 2 Because we didn't know our way around London, we often got lost.
Not...
- 3 As I hadn't learned Chinese, I couldn't understand what the people were saying.
Not...
- 4 Never having tried sea food before, we had to watch our stomachs.
As...
- 5 Because we weren't expecting to meet Mary there, we hadn't taken any presents for her.
Not...