

Linking words

(Underline the correct linking word in the text)

Last summer my grandparents invited me and my brother to spend a weekend at their farm in a small village. **Before/after/while** ⁽¹⁾we went there, we planned how to get there. We decided to take a bus, **because/while/when** ⁽²⁾ it was too far to go by bike.

After/Before/When ⁽³⁾ we packed our suitcases, we made a list of the things we would need. **After/While/until** ⁽⁴⁾my brother was packing his suitcase, I was still writing my list. **By the time/Until/during** ⁽⁵⁾ he closed his suitcase, I hadn't started to pack yet.

Kevin looked at me and said: "I have packed my suitcase. Look, here it is. What about you?"

"Oh", I answered, "I haven't started yet. I was still writing my list, **while/before/during** ⁽⁶⁾ you were packing. I'm going to pack tonight. We won't leave **during/until/by the time** ⁽⁷⁾ tomorrow morning."

On Saturday morning we got up early. **While/Before/during** ⁽⁸⁾ I went to the breakfast table, I finished packing my suitcase. **By the time/during/while** ⁽⁹⁾ I started breakfast, my brother had already finished eating.

After/Before/While ⁽¹⁰⁾ we left the house, we kissed our parents good-bye. We were in a hurry, **because/while/after** ⁽¹¹⁾ the bus stop was ten minutes away. Unfortunately we couldn't run, **because/while/when** ⁽¹²⁾ the suitcases were too heavy. So **by the time/during/while** ⁽¹³⁾ we got to the bus stop, the bus had already left. **During/While/Because** ⁽¹⁴⁾ we were waiting for the next bus, it started to rain. **When/Until/During** ⁽¹⁵⁾ the bus finally came, we were pretty wet. **During/While/When** ⁽¹⁶⁾ the bus trip we made plans for our first day at the farm.

"I'm going to ride on Uncle John's horse **as soon as/before/until** ⁽¹⁷⁾ we arrive", my brother said.

"I'm not sure yet", I said. „Maybe I'll just look around the farm. Or I'll help Aunt Mary in the kitchen."

While/When/After ⁽¹⁸⁾ we arrived, our uncle was already waiting for us at the bus stop. He was sitting in his car **while/when/during** ⁽¹⁹⁾ the bus stopped.

When/While/Before ⁽²⁰⁾ he saw us, he got out of the car and greeted us.

While/Before/Until ⁽²¹⁾ he carried our suitcases to his car, he shook our hands.

During/While/Before ⁽²²⁾ we were driving to the farm, he explained every interesting castle on the way.