

Three ways of writing a sentence

We can express the same idea in several different ways.

Study the sentences given below.

John will probably win the championship. He has trained hard.

We can connect these two clauses in different ways.

As these sentences show a cause and effect relationship we can use a subordinating conjunction like *as*, *because* or *since*.

John will probably win the championship because he has trained hard.

As John has trained hard, he will probably win the championship.

Since John has trained hard, he will probably win the championship.

We can also connect these two sentences using an adjective clause.

John, who has trained hard, will probably win the championship.

There is yet another method.

The winner will probably be John, who has trained hard.

Exercise

Connect the sentence pairs given below using the patterns given above. Each is modeled on one of those above.

1. Stella speaks English fluently. She will probably get the job.

2. Susan will probably be a writer. She is very talented.

3. Alan will probably lose. He is making a lot of mistakes.

Answers

1. Stella, who speaks English fluently, will probably get the job. / Stella will probably get the job because she speaks English fluently.

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2. Susan, who is very talented, will probably be a writer. / Susan will probably be a writer because she is very talented. / The writer will probably be Susan, who is very talented.

3. Alan, who is making a lot of mistakes, will probably lose. / Alan will probably lose because he is making a lot of mistakes. / The loser will probably be Alan, who is making a lot of mistakes.