



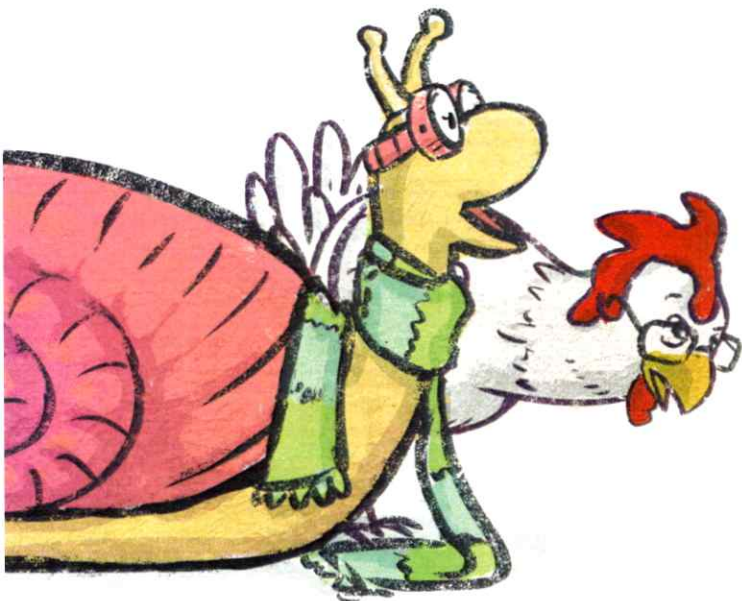
The two friends still stared
at What? then and shared
their shock. They cared
about him and
had not known he could talk.

Finally Poodle began to gawk.
“Why did you not say
you could talk? We’re in shock.”

What? just glared at him.
“I talk when I’m needed.”

“Needed?” asked Poodle.
“You were always needed.”

“Nope,” What? pleaded.
“You always knew answers
to all of the questions, you two.
Conjunctions are different.
I know these. I do.”



“You’re right, What?,” said Sidney.

“I see it—me too.

We should give you your due.

Tell us about conjunctions,
and we will chew
on the idea.”

With that, What? the barking beagle
was transformed into

What? the artful scholar
who knew

the facts and stuck like glue
to their tracks, speaking true.

Here is what What? said:

**“A conjunction
joins two words
or two groups of words.**

There are several kinds
of conjunctions—several lines—
but I will show you, this time,
seven **coordinating conjunctions**:

and, but, or, nor, for, so, yet.”

