



Parallel structure means using the same pattern of words to show that two or more ideas have the same level of importance. The usual way to join parallel structures is with the use of connectors such as "and" or "or."

noun + noun	My father is a good <b>husband</b> and a successful <b>businessman</b> .  My mother is a tango <b>dancer</b> and a jazz musician.
adj + adj	My father is <b>serious</b> and <b>hardworking</b> .  My mother is <b>brave</b> and <b>generous</b> .
verb - infinitive + infinitive	My father <b>likes to watch</b> basketball games and <b>work</b> in the yard.  My mother <b>likes to go</b> to yoga classes and <b>play</b> chess.
verb - adverb + adverb	My father drives <b>carelessly</b> and <b>fast.</b> My mother talks <b>slowly</b> and <b>carefully</b> .
verb + gerund + gerund	My father <b>enjoys working</b> and <b>cooking</b> .  My mother <b>enjoys talking</b> with friends and <b>going</b> on walks.
noun + noun	My father has blue <b>eyes</b> and gray <b>hair</b> .  My mother has brown <b>eyes</b> and brown <b>hair</b> .





Decide if the following sentences are correct or incorrect. Write C for correct and I for Incorrect. 1. \_\_\_\_\_He was angry and jealousy. 2. \_\_\_\_\_She wrote two books and a magazine article in the same year. 3. \_\_\_\_\_I enjoy sitting by the fire with a novel and to listen to classical music. 4. \_\_\_\_\_How thoughtful and kindly you are! 5. \_\_\_They worked in the garden planting, and weeding, and cut trees. 6. \_\_\_\_\_A teacher's responsibilities include to meet with students, grading papers, and preparing for classes. 7. \_\_\_\_\_He is an honest and generous person. 8. \_\_\_\_Next year I will work hard and success. 9. \_\_\_\_\_She is warm, outgoing, and kindness. 10. \_\_\_\_\_I enjoy standing in a hot shower and feel the muscles relax. 11. Which is the harder part of an essay: writing the first draft or editing the second draft? 12. He was afraid of failing and to lose all his money. 13. The apartment is clean, convenient, and cheap. 14. \_\_\_\_\_My city is big but safety.