



so, so...that

'so' and 'so... that' are used when one event or incident is the cause of another in the same sentence.

Example 1

No one could lift the bag. It was very heavy.

The bag was so heavy that no one could lift it.

Example 2

Bryan lost the key to his front door. Bryan had to enter his home by the back door.

Bryan lost the key to his front door so he had to enter his home by the back door.

Example 3

Frieda postponed the meeting with her clients. Frieda wanted more time to prepare her proposal.

Frieda postponed the meeting with her clients so that she had more time to prepare her proposal.

Example 4

No one could hear her because she spoke very softly.

She spoke so softly that no one could hear her.

Example 5

As she did not arrive at the scheduled time, we left without her.

She did not arrive at the scheduled time so we left without her.

Exercise 10

For each question rewrite the given sentence(s) using the word(s) provided. Your answer must be in one sentence. The meaning of your sentence must be the same as the meaning of the given sentence(s).

1. Grandma left the cake on the table. Grandma wanted the cake to cool.

_____ so that _____

2. Cinderella did not have time to rest. She was very busy with chores.

_____ so _____ that _____

3. Randy was very hungry. Randy ate everything on the table.

_____ so _____ that _____

4. There was a sudden blackout. The room was plunged into darkness.

_____ so _____

5. The hare rested and fell asleep halfway through the race. The tortoise won the race.

_____ so _____

6. The rocks were very heavy. The basket broke because of the rocks.

_____ so _____ that _____

7. The dust bunnies accumulated because he was too lazy to clean under his bed.

_____ so _____

*8. As Erina wanted to win the competition, she cheated.

_____ so that _____

*9. The intense heat from the fire melted the firemen's helmets.

_____ so _____ that _____

*10. Steven spoilt his old wallet deliberately. Steven wanted his mother to buy him a new wallet.

_____ so _____