

Schoolhouse Rock Live! Jr.

March 10 – 19, 2023

Fridays & Saturdays at 7:30 pm
Sundays at 3:00 pm

2nd Street Stage

Hannah Block Historic USO/Community Arts Center
120 South 2nd Street

Lyrics by Lynn Ahrens, Bob Dorough, Dave Frishberg,
Kathy Mandry, George Newall, Tom Yohe

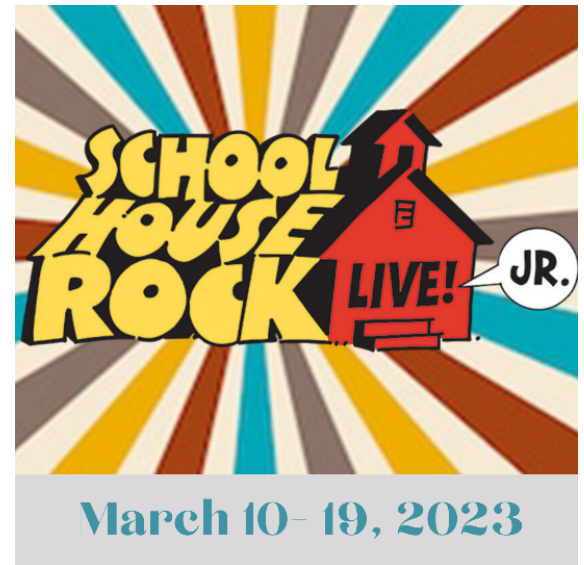
Music by Bob Dorough, Dave Frishberg, Kathy Mandry, George Newall, Tom Yohe
Book by Lynn Ahrens, Scott Ferguson, Kyle Hall, George Keating
The Emmy Award-winning Saturday morning educational cartoon series and pop culture phenomenon is now the basis for one of the most fun musicals ever to hit the stage. Follow Tom, a young schoolteacher, who is nervous about his first day of teaching. He tries to relax by watching TV, when various characters representing facets of his personality emerge from the set and show him how to win his students over with imagination and music. Memorable songs “Just a Bill” and “Conjunction Junction” bring his lesson plans vividly to life.

About the Thalian Association

Thalian Association Community Theatre is a non-profit, membership organization that’s dedicated to enhancing the rich artistic environment of the Cape Fear region.

Tracing its roots back to 1788, the Thalian Association

Community Theatre was founded to provide arts education and bring the excitement of the performing arts to Wilmington, North Carolina. Today the Thalian Association Community Theatre produces five major productions annually on the Main Stage at historic Thalian Hall, offers a Youth Theatre program and professionally manages the Hannah Block Historic USO/Community Arts Center for the City of Wilmington. In 2007, the North Carolina legislature named the Thalian Association Community Theatre the Official Community Theater of North Carolina.



Conjunction Junction!

Read the lyrics of the Schoolhouse Rock Live! Jr. song "Conjunction Junction."
Then complete the activity about conjunctions using what you learned from the song.

Conjunction Junction, what's your function?

Hooking up words and
phrases and clauses.

Conjunction Junction, how's that function?

I got three favorite cars
That get most of my job
done.

Conjunction Junction, what's their function?

I got "and", "but", and "or",
They'll get you pretty far.

[spoken] "And":

That's an additive, like "this
and that".

"But":

That's sort of the opposite,
"Not this but that".

And then there's "or":

O-R, when you have a
choice like

"This or that".

"And", "but",
and "or",
Get you pretty
far.

[sung]

Conjunction Junction, what's your function?

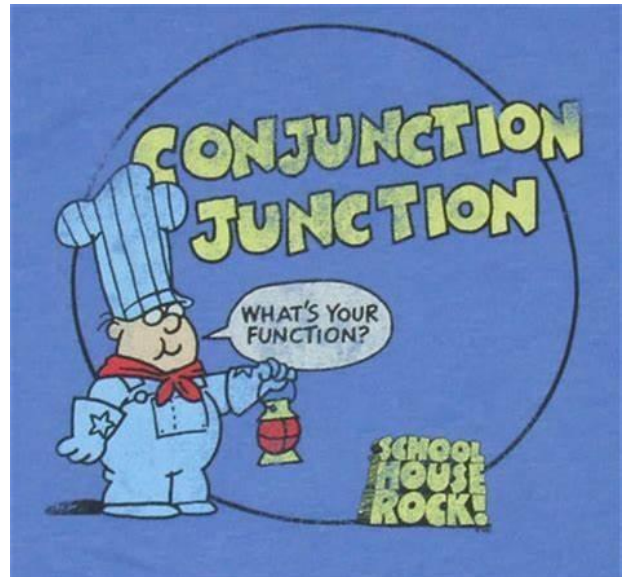
Hooking up two
boxcars and
making 'em run
right.

Milk and honey,
bread and
butter, peas and rice.

Hey that's nice!

Dirty but happy, digging
and scratching,
Losing your shoe and a
button or two.

He's poor but honest, sad
but true,



Boo-hoo-hoo

-hoo-hoo!

Conjunction Junction, what's your function?

Hooking up two cars to one
When you say something
like this choice:

"Either now or later"

Or no choice:



Conjunction Questions

Answer the following questions about conjunctions using what you have learned from the song.

1. According to the song, what are the functions of conjunctions?
2. What are the three things conjunctions can “hook up?”
3. What are the three “favorite” conjunctions mentioned in the song lyrics?
4. How do conjunctions work in complex sentences?
5. Write a sentence, clause, or phrase that uses “and”



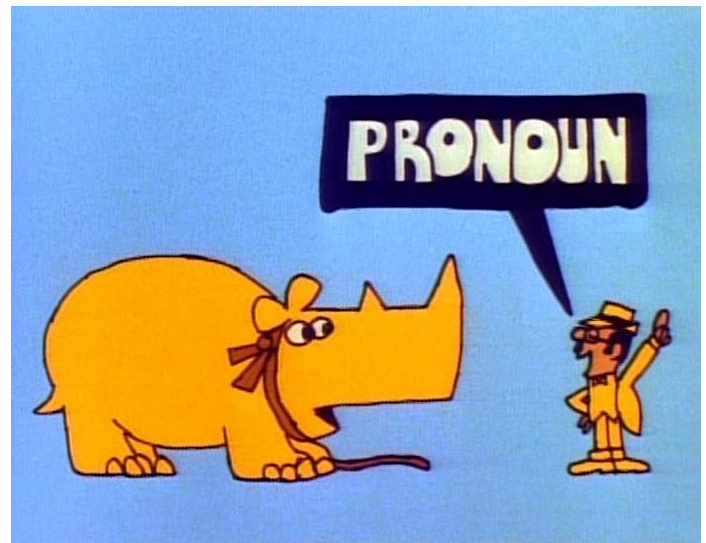
6. Write a sentence, clause, or phrase that uses “or”

7. Write a sentence, clause, or phrase that uses “but”

All About Pronouns

Read this passage from Schoolhouse Rock Live! about pronouns:

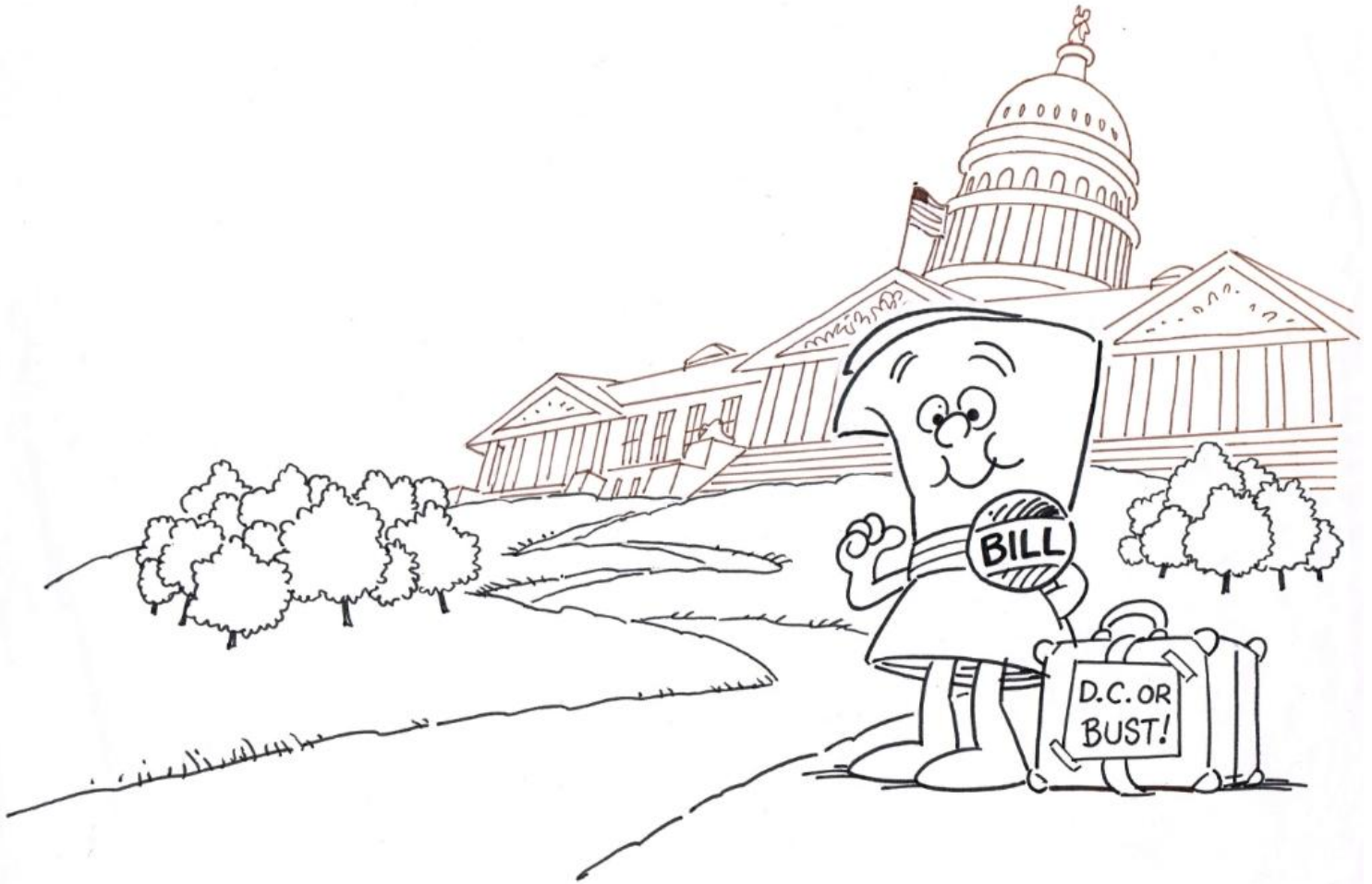
You see a pronoun was made to take the place of a noun,
'Cause saying all those nouns over and over
Can really wear you down.
Sometimes, when we take 'em all on the bus
People really raise a fuss.
They start shouting out a lot o' pronouns
at us, like
"WHO brought that rhinoceros on this
bus?" and
"WHAT made that horrible noise?" and
"WHICH one of them is getting off first?"
WHO, WHAT, and WHICH are special
pronouns that can ask a question
In a sentence where you do not know the
name of the noun,
But I know:
I have MINE, and SHE has HERS,
and he has his. Do YOU have YOURS?
THEY love US, and WE love THEM,
WHAT's OURS is THEIRS--
That's how it is with friends,
And pronouns, you are really friends, yeah!
'Cause saying all those nouns over and over
Can really wear you down.



Now, get into pairs or small groups with your classmates. Discuss the following:

1. How many pronouns do you see in the passage? Work together to circle each one.
2. Why are Who, What, and Which special?
3. What is the purpose of a pronoun?

Schoolhouse Rock Live! Coloring Activity



NC State Standards – RI 3.1, RI 3.2, SL 3.1, L 3.1

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