

Module 8: Drama – *Romeo and Juliet*
Topic 7 Content: Using Coordinating Conjunctions

Introduction

The screenshot shows an interactive learning module titled "Using Coordinating Conjunctions". On the left side, there is a vertical list of six teal buttons labeled "And", "Or", "But", "Yet", "So", and "For". The main content area is titled "Introduction" and features stylized, colorful text for the words "yet", "OR", "FOR", "so", "and", "coordinators", and "but". Below this text is a paragraph of introductory text.

Using Coordinating Conjunctions

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and *coordinators* **but**

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But

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The coordinating conjunction *yet* is used to add contrasting ideas, but it implies an unexpected contrast. The coordinator *yet* can be used to link words, phrases, or clauses.

- stylish *yet* cheap
[one would expect a stylish item to be expensive]
- working harder *yet* finishing last
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And

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