

Expressions of Purpose

We use certain expressions to show why somebody does something. These are called expressions of purpose. They are introduced with the following words or expressions:

In order to:

Structure: **in order to** + **infinitive** (base form of a verb)

Example: They come to school **in order to study**.

Because – So:

Structure: **because** + subject + verb + **reason**

Example: John is absent today **because** he is **sick**.

Structure: **so** + subject + verb + **result**

Example: John is sick **so** he is **absent** today.

To – for :

Structure: **to** + **infinitive** (base form of a verb)

Example: Pens are used **to write** anything.

We use pens **to write**.

Structure: **for** + **gerund** (verb + ing)

Example: Pens are used **for writing** anything.

We use pens **for writing** anything.