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**EXPRESSIONS OF PURPOSE ( goal ,aim, intention, reason for doing something)**

Using ‘so that, in order that’

Expressions of purpose, answer the question to what purpose [they help to express the purpose of the action]

Examples

1a) I went to the market with the **purpose/aim/ intention** of buying some fruits.

b) I **went** to the market **so that** I **would/could** buy some fruits.

c) I **wen**tto the market **in order that** I **should/might** buy some fruits.

2a) Peter **wakes** up at six every morning **so that** he can/will prepare for the zoom lessons. (**present)**

**b)** Peter **woke** up at six every morning **so that** he could/would prepare for the zoom lessons. (**past)**

3. [Please speak a bit more loudly] MAIN CLAUSE [ **so that** we can hear you better.] PURPOSE CLAUSE]

4. The site **has been** **closed** with a fence **in order that** the contractors **may/shall/ should** work without interruption.

**5.** He **is saving** up **so that** he **can/will** buy a new laptop. **(present tense)**

b) He **was saving** up so that he **could/would** buy a new laptop. (**past tense)**

**6.** Once a week she **gives** a lesson on current affairs so that they **will/ can** understand what is going on in the world around them.

**b)** Once a week she gave a lesson on current affairs so that they **would** /**could** understand what is going on in the world around them.

NOTE : We use will/can if the main clause is in the present tense [no. 2a,5a]

We use would/could if the main clause is in the past tense[no.2b,5b]

**“In order that”** is very similar in meaning to so that, but much less common in spoken language**.**

**EXAMPLES**

1 Elections **are** held in order that the people themselves **should** /**shall**/**may** decide their own future [present tense]

2 Elections **were** held in order that the people themselves **might**/**should** decide their own future [past tense]