

## LINKING WORDS PRACTICE

**Choose the correct linking word to fill in the gaps:**

1. The students revised for their maths exams. ...., they wrote their history essay yesterday morning.

However    Besides    Although    Yet

2. Carol always does her best ..... help people.

so that    in order to    as for    so

3. .... the thick fog, lots of cars were held up on the motorway.

Since    Because of    But    Despite

4. The factory installed new devices. ...., its emissions to the environment have dropped.

Due to    Since    As a result    In addition

5. Andy helps a lot at home. ...., his sister never tidies her room.

When    On the contrary    As a result    Since

6. You won't pass the exam ..... you do your best.

unless    if    as long as    provided that

7. Mary bought that black dress ..... being too expensive for her.

despite of    in spite    in spite of    because of

8. The new managing Director runs the company quite efficiently. ...., he's really nice to the employees.

Besides    On the contrary    So    As well as

9. My car had a puncture, ..... I was late for the meeting yesterday.

whereas    so    because    as

10. You'd better wear warm clothes ..... it gets colder tonight.

in order to    in case of    in case    in case to

11. .... the company made a profit, the workers weren't given a pay rise.

However    Also    Even though    Moreover

12. Peter complained ..... the soup tasted awful.

Due to    because    because of    but

13. .... the storm, most domestic flights were delayed.

Because    Owing to    Although    Despite of

14. I bought some tomatoes ..... make a good salad.

in order to    for    so that    due to

15. Miles doesn't earn a lot. ...., he goes on holiday every year.

Although    Nevertheless    While    As a result

16. John likes flying ..... his wife hates it.

since    so that    whereas    despite

17. Why don't you phone James ..... he is free tonight?

unless      in case      in spite of      in order to

18. You'd better get changed ..... we aren't late for the party.

as      so as to      so that      because

19. .... complaining about the faulty mixer, we didn't get a refund.

Although      Despite      Owing to      Since

20. Everybody got shocked ..... the bomb explosion

in spite of      due to      despite      because

21. The bomb exploded. ...., nobody was killed.

However      Since      So      In spite of

22. Dave is such a talented boy. He can speak four languages. ...., he plays the piano beautifully.

However      Moreover      But      Owing to

23. You won't be promoted ..... you work harder.

because      if      however      unless

24. I couldn't send you a message ..... I didn't have your e-mail address.

despite      since      so that      nevertheless

25. Peter is always on a diet. ...., his sister can eat whatever she likes without putting on weight.

So      As a result      Because of      On the contrary

26. Most people go jogging ..... keep fit.

so that      so as to      in order not to      due to

27. Dan has to make an appointment with Dr Black ..... he's got a bad cold.

owing to      however      as      because of

28. My sister paints really well ..... my brother prefers reading.

because      due to      while      since

29. .... Pete had promised to phone us, he forgot.

Since      Although      However      Moreover

30. The interview with the candidate was a failure ..... the interviewer interrupted him all the time.

as a result      because of      despite      because