Linking words

1 Choose the linker that is not correct.

1 I'm not very good at sport – **although / nevertheless, / on the one hand,** I do play the occasional game of tennis.
2 I belong to a gym. **However, / In addition, / Although** I hardly ever go!
3 Running is a convenient and cheap form of exercise. **What's more, / Moreover, / On the other hand,** it's something you can do wherever you are.
4 You may be very slim – **nevertheless, / however, / consequently,** you still need to do exercise.
5 Vegetarian food is better for you than meat, **because / but / although** it can be a bit boring sometimes.

2 Complete the sentences with suitable linkers of addition or contrast.

1 _____ he's 85 years old, my grandfather is still very healthy. _____, he still does sports!
2 A little chocolate every day is good for you. Too much chocolate, _____, is unhealthy.
3 It has been proven that coffee isn't bad for you. _____, you should try and limit the amount of coffee you drink every day.
4 These are the pros and cons of making sport compulsory at school. _____, it forces everyone to take part in healthy exercise. _____, it can put some people off doing sport for life!

3 Correct the mistakes in the linkers in the sentences. Tick all the possible answers.

1 I love cycling. It's environmentally friendly, <u>on the other hand</u>, it's good for you!

therefore	in addition	what's more

2 It's good to drink lots of water, <u>moreover</u>, you shouldn't drink too much, too quickly.

however	although	nevertheless

3 I love going horse-riding, <u>in addition</u>, it's a very expensive sport.

nevertheless	whereas	despite

4 I know you aren't hungry first thing in the morning, <u>what is more</u> you should always eat breakfast.

but	however	nevertheless

5 I've got mixed feelings about running marathons. On the one hand, it's a good challenge, but <u>nevertheless</u> it can be quite dangerous if you haven't done enough training.

although	in addition	on the other hand

4 Choose the correct alternatives.

1 I think junk food advertisements on TV should be banned **because / because of** the danger to children who watch them.
2 I suggest we take an early train, **so that / in order not to** be late.
3 Many of the clothes are made by people who are paid very little. **So that / Consequently,** the clothes are very cheap.
4 I don't like it, **although / therefore,** I'm not going to buy it.
5 I couldn't come to your party **as / despite** I was away on holiday.
6 I stood for an hour in the queue **to / so that** get tickets.
7 **In order to / So to** be able to deal with your query as quickly as possible, please tell us what you are calling about.

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