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## CONNECTORS OF CONTRAST

### grammar

We use them when there are two sentences which are related.

For example:



**ALTHOUGH + SUBJECT/VERB**

ALTHOUGH HE STUDIED, HE FAILED THE TEST.

**DESPITE + NOUN/GERUND**

DESPITE STUDYING, HE FAILED THE TEST.

— . **HOWEVER**, — .

HE STUDIED. **HOWEVER**, HE FAILED THE TEST.

#### ALTHOUGH

**Although** is used for introducing a statement that makes the main statement in a sentence seem.

##### Examples

- **Although** it rained all day, we enjoyed the party very much.
- He failed in the exam, **although** he studied very hard.
- They didn't go to the party, **although** they were invited.

#### DESPITE

**Despite** is a preposition. After despite we use:  
Despite + noun/pronoun.  
Despite + verb- ing

##### Examples

- Despite the wind, we went fishing.
- Despite her tiredness, Elisa tries to help us.
- Despite **missing** the bus, he arrived on time
- Despite **being** a millionaire, she lives in a very small flat.

#### HOWEVER

We can express a contrast by using the adverb **however** with two sentences. It is always followed by a comma.

##### Examples

- He was feeling very ill. **However**, he went to school.
- Some people disagree with this idea, **however**, it's never been proven right.
- She is the best student in school. **However**, she doesn't do homeworks on time.

Although the traffic was bad, \_\_\_\_\_

It was sunny. However, \_\_\_\_\_

Despite the storm, \_\_\_\_\_



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## Complete with the correct connector

- ..... it was very cold, she wasn't wearing a coat. (**Although, However**)
- We need to buy a new car. ...., we can't afford it right now. (**Despite, However**)
- ..... he is very rich and famous, he lives a very normal life. (**However, Although**)
- ..... the rain, we still went to the park. (**Although, Despite**)
- ..... having an English name, he is in fact German. (**Although, Despite, However**)
- ..... she loves her job, she decided to quit her job. (**Although, However**)
- That man is very stingy, ..... having a lot of money. (**although, despite**)
- ..... the weather was bad, we enjoyed the trip. (**Although, However**)
- The children slept well ..... the noise. (**although, despite**)
- Marie speaks English well; her first language, ...., is French. (**despite, however**)

## Match with the correct complement

1. My classmate can speak Spanish. However, she		watched a funny movie later.
2. He finished his homework in only ten minutes. However, he		he didn't say, "Thank you."
3. I went shopping yesterday. However,	.	can't speak Portuguese.
4. After I watched the movie, I felt sad. However, I		made lots of mistakes.
5. I helped him with his work. However,		I forgot to bring my money

## Read the sentence and decide if it is True or False

- Although I came late, the others were all on time for dinner. True - False
- She went out however the rain. True - False
- It was late. However, the others were all on time. True - False
- Although she is only 16, she is taller than her mother. True - False
- Although his disabilities, he managed to take part in the Olympics. True - False