

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, _____



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

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| 1. Although I came late, the others were all on time for dinner. | True - False |
| 2. She went out however the rain. | True - False |
| 3. It was late. However, the others were all on time. | True - False |
| 4. Although she is only 16, she is taller than her mother. | True - False |
| 5. Although his disabilities, he managed to take part in the Olympics. | True - False |