

FULL BLAST!

6 Time out

▶ Clauses of Concession

We use **Clauses of Concession** to express **contrast** or **opposition** to the main clause.

- **although / even though + subject + verb**
Although / Even though he was starving, he didn't take any of the food they offered him.
- **in spite of / despite + noun / -ing form**
Despite the heavy rain, it was very hot.
In spite of feeling afraid, Jim went on the roller coaster.
- **in spite of / despite + the fact + that-clause**
He went dancing in spite of / despite the fact that he had a terrible headache.

▶ Clauses of Purpose

We use **Clauses of Purpose** to show the purpose of an action.

- **so as (not) to / in order (not) to**
She spoke quietly in order not to / so as not to wake up the baby.
- **so that + can / may / will** (present / future time reference)
You should work hard now so that you can take some time off in the summer.
- **so that + could / might / would** (past time reference)
Henry took his car to the garage so that the mechanic could take a look at it.

▶ Clauses of Result

We use **Clauses of Result** to express the result of an action or a conclusion.

- **so + adjective/adverb + (that)**
He was so bored (that) he left before the end of the film.
- **such + (a/an) + (adjective) + noun + (that)**
It was such a hot day that we all went swimming.

NOTE: • We say **so + much/many**, but **such a lot of**.
• *That* can be omitted, especially in spoken English.

Grammar

Clauses of result

- *The bus was **so** crowded (that) we couldn't get on.*
- *It was **such a** crowded bus (that) we couldn't get on.*
- *There were **so many / such a lot of** people on the bus (that) we couldn't get on.*

Clauses of concession

- ***Although / Even though** my dad was angry, he didn't say a word.*
- ***In spite of / Despite** being angry, my dad didn't say a word.*
- ***In spite of / Despite** his anger, my dad didn't say a word.*

Clauses of purpose

- *The farmer walked around the field **so as not to / in order not to** destroy the crops.*
- *The farmer walked around the field **so that** he wouldn't destroy the crops.*

Rewrite the sentences using the words given.

1. There is such a lot of violence in this video game that you shouldn't buy it. (so)

2. The children continued swimming although it was raining. (despite)

3. In spite of its difficulty, we managed to solve the puzzle. (although)

4. Kelly bought a new dance DVD so that she could work out at home. (so as to)

5. Despite his illness, Billy went to school. (even though)

6. You should take up a new hobby in order not to be bored all the time. (so that)
