

EXPRESSING CONTRAST

Study these examples;

Even though it is old, it still works perfectly!

While it may look ugly, it is very productive.

Nevertheless, we will buy a new one soon.

A. We use adverb clause markers of contrast to show that two ideas are not the same, usually in an unexpected way. The clause markers, which always come at the beginning of a clause are:

although even though though whereas while

B. We can also use **while** and **whereas** to introduce contrast between two ideas. They are usually between the two ideas in location.

*I have green eyes **while** my brother has blue eyes.*

*I have green eyes **whereas** my brother has blue eyes.*

C. We can also use **however** and **nevertheless** to separate two contrasting ideas. Note the punctuation options with these words.

*I love playing soccer; **however**, I rarely have the time to play.*

*I love playing soccer. **However**, I rarely have the time to play.*

*I love playing soccer; **nevertheless**, I rarely have the time to play.*

*I love playing soccer. **Nevertheless**, I rarely have the time to play.*

Match the clauses and then combine them into sentences on the back side of this worksheet using **although**, **even though**, **while**, or **whereas**.

_____ 1. Bill is rich.	A. He doesn't know what to buy.
_____ 2. Bill has a lot of "friends"	B. He doesn't like his job.
_____ 3. Bill works hard every day	C. None of them would help him if he needed it.
_____ 4. Bill has a lot of money	D. None of them feels like home.
_____ 5. Many people want to meet him.	E. He doesn't want to meet them.
_____ 6. Bill has several houses.	F. He isn't happy.

1. **Although Bill is rich, he isn't happy**
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3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

