Develop your writing skills: using connectors and cohesive devices

Write a heading from the box in the correct place in the table.

adding information
giving examples showing contrast showing reason showing result

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Write a word or phrase from the box in the bottom row of the table in exercise 1.

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- 3 Write a word or phrase from the table in exercise 1 in each gap. There may be more than one correct answer.
 - 1 A school-leaver may have learned a lot from books. ______, there is no substitute for seeing things first hand.
 - 2 My brother worked his way around the world in his gap year. He did various jobs ______ dishwasher, waiter, cleaner and cook.
 - 3 I couldn't afford to go straight to university, ______ I spent my gap year working and saving up.
 - 4 If you go to another country, you see a different culture. ______, you get a new perspective on your own country.
 - 5 It is not always good to go straight from school to university you don't get a chance to broaden your horizons first.
- 4 Complete the second sentence so it has a similar meaning to the first, using the word given. Write no more than four words in each gap.
 - 1 Keith wants to visit China as well as Australia.

addition

In ______, Keith wants to visit China.

2 Although travelling is enjoyable, it is expensive.

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enjoyable, travelling is expensive.

3 Because of her journey around the world, Lana decided to study journalism.

result

Lana decided to study journalism ______ her journey round the world.

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, didn't enjoy it much.

You can look for summer work in places like hotels and summer camps.

such

Places ______ and summer camps are good for finding summer work.

He spent his gap year working and, consequently, didn't enjoy it much.

5 Read the email and circle the correct words or phrases.

He spent his gap year working and, _

Dear Mum and Dad,

Hope you're both well! Sorry I didn't write before – I've been (1) so / such busy that I haven't had a chance.

America is great – at least the small part I've seen, (2) because / because of I haven't seen much. We spent one day in New York and we had to leave for the summer camp early the next day, (3) since / so we couldn't stay out very late. We managed to see most of the sights, such (4) as / like the Empire State Building and

Times Square (see attached photo).

We spent all day today learning our duties at the summer camp, (5) although / despite the fact that we were exhausted. But there's no other day to do it (6) since / due to the kids arrive tomorrow.

I'm off to bed now to collapse! Love,

Kim



6 Read the paragraph and replace each word or phrase in bold with a pronoun or relative pronoun.

The gap year has become the rule rather than the exception for students. Maybe this is because (1) students know a degree is going to cost them so much, due to (2) a degree's rising cost. Though more and more use (3) the gap year to save money to help with living expenses at university, many spend their gap year travelling. Travel brochure destinations are the most popular – exotic (4) destinations like Thailand and India. Other students buy a round-the-world ticket. How can they afford (5) a round-the-world ticket? Sometimes their parents give them a reward for studying so hard, (6) and that money is enough to pay for it. Others take on two or three jobs over the summer and use the money from (7) the jobs to pay the air fare. Finally, there are the adventurers, (8) and they just pack a bag and head off into the unknown.

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