

PARTICIPLE - TO V – CONCESSION CLAUSES

Task 1. Write the verb in brackets in the correct form. Write only one or two words in each gap.

- 1 I'd love to get some work experience in an office, (give) the chance.
- 2 After (get) so bad a school report, you can't blame your parents for being angry.
- 3 The three men (arrest) have not been named.
- 4 We were only given a room with a balcony after (complain) to the manager.
- 5 (see) Arctic Monkeys play live before, Josh was desperate to get tickets to their next gig.
- 6 (swim) along the seabed, the divers were shocked to find a sunken car.
- 7 (apply) for the job, I forgot all about it until the letter came.
- 8 Is Bentley's the only department store (start) its sale on Boxing Day?
- 9 (want) to create trouble, Dad didn't raise any objections.
- 10 It's Sophie's role (wait) at the entrance on Tuesday evening to welcome the guests.
- 11 (shoot) in the arm, the man ran bleeding into the undergrowth.
- 12 (make) mistakes is only human!

Task 2. Match the sentences

still he eats fast food every day

In spite of new technologies

However, he was promoted to unit manager

Despite having a horrible soundtrack

In spite of the fact that she has long-sighted glasses

1. _____, the film was a success.
2. _____, she doesn't use them.
3. _____, traditional methods are still popular.
4. He was not the sharpest person in the company.

5. He has high cholesterol levels, _____.

Task 3. Choose the correct answer.

Out-of-body experiences

(1) most scientists dismiss tales of out-of-body experiences on the operating table as dreams and delusions, there are some cases which seem to defy rational explanation. Take Margaret Frobisher. In 2003, she was undergoing a routine operation under general anaesthetic at Sansdown Hospital in Kent. There were serious complications, (2) , and her heart stopped beating. Try (3) they might, the surgeon and anaesthetist were unable to resuscitate her. Finally, after eight minutes, they succeeded. (4) having been clinically dead, Margaret suffered no brain damage and no adverse side effects. The story doesn't stop there, (5) When the anaesthetist went to visit her in her hospital bed, Margaret Frobisher recounted an amazing story. She said she vividly remembered floating above the operating table. And (6) her never having been conscious in that room at any time, she described the room and the resuscitation attempt in great detail. She said that (7) three of the walls were bright white, one was dark grey. This was true. She also said that, on the top of a cabinet in a corner of the operating theatre, there was an old book. (8) the anaesthetist didn't – and couldn't – believe her, she checked. There, just as Margaret Frobisher had described it, was the book. (9) as they tried, no one at the hospital could explain how Margaret could have known about the book. Even (10) one does not believe in a 'soul' or in life after death, it is difficult to explain what happened in that operating theatre when Margaret Frobisher's heart stopped beating.

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| 1 | A Despite | B While | C However | D In spite |
| 2 | A whereas | B although | C however | D despite |
| 3 | A as | B for | C with | D so |
| 4 | A However | B Whereas | C Although | D Despite |
| 5 | A even if | B even though | C although | D though |
| 6 | A in spite of | B although | C however | D while |
| 7 | A nevertheless | B whereas | C in spite of | D however |
| 8 | A In spite | B However | C Even though | D Despite |
| 9 | A Most | B More | C Much | D Many |
| 10 | A so | B if | C though | D that |