

Clauses of Contrast

Combine the following sentences using: **in spite of, despite, in spite of the fact that, or despite the fact that**.

1. I really **like** water sports. I don't enjoy swimming in the sea.

In spite of really **liking** water sports, I don't enjoy swimming in the sea.

In spite of the fact that I really **like** water sports, I don't enjoy swimming in the sea.

Despite really **liking** water sports, I don't enjoy swimming in the sea.

Despite the fact that I really **like** water sports, I don't enjoy swimming in the sea.

2. I **work** overtime whenever I can. I never save money.

In spite of

In spite of the fact that

Despite

Despite the fact that

3. The book **was** a best seller. The movie was a flop.

In spite of

In spite of the fact that

Despite

Despite the fact that

4. I **paid** \$500 for these boots. They are wearing thin after a month.

In spite of

In spite of the fact that

Despite

Despite the fact that

5. It **was** 40 degrees centigrade. We reached the summit by noon.

In spite of

In spite of the fact that

Despite

Despite the fact that

6. Your application **is** impressive. We have no vacancies at the moment.

In spite of

In spite of the fact that

Despite

Despite the fact that

7. I **like** you. I will not tolerate such behaviour.

In spite of

In spite of the fact that

Despite

Despite the fact that

8. The beach **is** very polluted. Many tourists visit every year.

In spite of

In spite of the fact that

Despite

Despite the fact that

9. It **is** very cold. I intend to go swimming.

In spite of

In spite of the fact that

Despite

Despite the fact that

10. She **studies** fashion and design. She has no dress sense.

In spite of

In spite of the fact that

Despite

Despite the fact that