**Choose the correct linking word to fill in the gaps:**

1. The students revised for their maths exams. ……, they wrote their history essay yesterday morning.

However | Besides | Although | Yet

2. Carol always does her best …… help people.

so that | in order to | as for | so

3. …… the thick fog, lots of cars were held up on the motorway.

Since | Because of | But | Despite

4. The factory installed new devices. ……, its emissions to the environment have dropped.

Due to | Since | As a result | In addition

5. Andy helps a lot at home. ……, his sister never tidies her room.

When | On the contrary | As a result | Since

6. You won't pass the exam …… you do your best.

unless | if | as long as | provided that

7. Mary bought that black dress …… being too expensive for her.

despite of | in spite | in spite of | because of

8. The new managing Director runs the company quite efficiently. ……, he's really nice to the employees.

Besides | On the contrary | So | As well as

9. My car had a puncture, …… I was late for the meeting yesterday.

whereas | so | because | as

10. You'd better wear warm clothes …… it gets colder tonight.

in order to | in case of | in case | in case to

11. …… the company made a profit, the workers weren't given a pay rise.

However | Also | Even though | Moreover

12. Peter complained …… the soup tasted awful.

Due to | because | because of | but

13. …… the storm, most domestic flights were delayed.

Because | Owing to | Although | Despite of

14. I bought some tomatoes …… make a good salad.

in order to | for | so that | due to

15. Miles doesn't earn a lot. ……, he goes on holiday every year.

Although | Nevertheless | While | As a result

16. John likes flying …… his wife hates it.

since | so that | whereas | despite

17. Why don't you phone James …… he is free tonight?

unless | in case | in spite of | in order to

18. You'd better get changed …… we aren't late for the party.

as | so as to | so that | because

19. …… complaining about the faulty mixer, we didn't get a refund.

Although | Despite | Owing to | Since

20. Everybody got shocked …… the bomb explosion.

in spite of | due to | despite | because

21. The bomb exploded. ……, nobody was killed.

However | Since | So | In spite of

22. Dave is such a talented boy. He can speak four languages. ……, he plays the piano beautifully.

However | Moreover | But | Owing to

23. You won't be promoted …… you work harder.

because | if | however | unless

24. I couldn't send you a message …… I didn't have you e-mail address.

despite | since | so that | nevertheless

25. Peter is always on a diet. ……, his sister can eat whatever she likes without putting on weight.

So | As a result | Because of | On the contrary

26. Most people go jogging …… keep fit.

so that | so as to | in order not to | due to

27. Dan has to make an appointment with Dr Black …… he's got a bad cold.

owing to | however | as | because of

28. My sister paints really well …… my brother prefers reading.

because | due to | while | since

29. …… Pete had promised to phone us, he forgot.

Since | Although | However | Moreover

30. The interview to the candidate was a failure …… the interviewer interrupted him all the time.

as a result | because of | despite | because