

Structure and Linking - Contrasting Ideas

1. Look at these two contrasting ideas about teaching, then rewrite them using the linking words given below.

Teaching can sometimes be a tiring and stressful job, but it is generally rewarding.

1. although

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2. however

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3. nonetheless

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2. Complete the sentences with suitable endings.

1. Although it is true that studying abroad can be expensive, I think

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2. It is clear that prison is the best punishment for serious crimes, such as murder. **However**,

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3. To sum up, it is true that working from home has some advantages, such as not having to travel to work every day. **Nonetheless**, my view is

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3. Join the ideas together to form a conclusion using *although*, *however* or *nonetheless*.

1. Going travelling for a year before university is expensive. It can open your mind to new ideas.

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2. Living in a big city can be stressful. It is more exciting than living in a small town.

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3. Obesity is a very serious problem. It is not too late to do something about it.

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4. Write your own sentences on each of these topics. Then compare your answers with a partner.

- being single

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- going to university

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- moving out of your parents' house

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- studying IELTS

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Example: Although being single gives you a lot of freedom, it can also be quite lonely.