

GRAMMAR: CLAUSES OF CONTRAST, PURPOSE AND REASON

Choose the correct connector to complete the following clauses of contrast, purpose and reason.

1. _____ she was under a lot of pressure, she never complained.
a. Although b. However, c. despite
2. He was very talented. _____ he was very lazy and lacked ambition.
a. In spite of b. However, c. Although
3. They won the match _____ not having their star player.
a. although b. however c. in spite of
4. We arrived earlier _____ we could sit in the first row.
a. so that b. so as to c. for
5. She is very good. _____, she is not the best.
a. despite b. although c. however
6. _____ his age, he did a very good job.
a. Despite b. although c. however
7. _____ she is very good; she is not the best.
a. However, b. Although c. In spite of
8. We will continue working hard _____ to reach a solution.
a. so b. for c. in order
9. Sometimes workers eat in the garden _____ fight the stress of their jobs.
a. so that b. so as to c. for
10. He had to deactivate his Facebook account _____ the constant threats.
a. because b. because of c. since

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1. We could attend the conference _____ the fact that we didn't have invitations.
a. although
b. in spite of
c. however
2. Tomas can be very annoying sometimes. _____, he is very loyal to his friends.
a. However
b. Although
c. In spite of
3. I didn't say anything _____ upset him.
a. so as not to
b. for not to
c. to not
4. _____ I was tired, I decided to stay home. **Choose TWO correct options**
a. As
b. Due to
c. Since
5. He survived _____ being shot three times in the chest.
a. although
b. however
c. despite

6. We went to the beach _____ it was rather cold.
a. however
b. despite
c. although
7. The flight had to be cancelled _____ the storm. **Choose TWO correct options**
a. due to
b. since
c. because of
8. He made it to the final _____ his knee injury.
a. despite
b. in spite
c. although
9. They went out _____ a romantic evening.
a. so as to
b. for
c. in order to
10. _____ he is old, he is quite strong.
a. Although
b. However
c. Despite

Fill in the gap with ONE word to complete the following clauses of contrast, purpose and reason.

- Please include your details _____ that we can contact you in the future.
- _____ being deaf, he's an extraordinary musician.
- The school was closed _____ to the floods.
- You seem a nice guy. _____, you are not my type.
- He didn't say anything so _____ not to draw too much attention.
- His wife remains loyal in _____ of his well-known infidelities.
- _____ he earns a lot of money; he never spends it on unnecessary things.
- He married her _____ of her money.
- She worked very hard _____ win the Olympic gold medal.
- She worked very hard _____ that Olympic gold medal.

LISTENING: HOW TO FUEL THE FUTURE

Watch a video about the future of fuel and choose the correct answer.



1. **Saudi Arabia...**
 - a. is the biggest producer of oil and gas.
 - b. is the richest country.
 - c. was a very poor country.
2. **The United States...**
 - a. doesn't have to import oil from OPEC countries.
 - b. only imports oil from Saudi Arabia, Venezuela and Iraq.
 - c. is less dependent on imported oil now.
3. **Oil...**
 - a. is the source of most of the world's energy.
 - b. is the world's most used fuel.
 - c. will cost less and less every year.
4. **According to the video, by 2040...**
 - a. we will need more energy.
 - b. we will produce less traditional energy.
 - c. the energy will be much cleaner.
5. **China is...**
 - a. the world leader in electric car sales.
 - b. the country that consumes most oil.
 - c. the biggest manufacturer of solar panels.
6. **The transition to clean energy...**
 - a. will produce wars in the Middle East.
 - b. will require the collaboration of the different countries.
 - c. will be almost impossible.