

Concession

Decide whether the following statements are true or false. Write **T** for True or **F** for False. Then, rewrite the sentences using the key words given.

- 'Despite' can be followed by a 'that ...' clause. _____
- 'In spite of' and 'despite' can be followed by the same things. _____
- 'Despite' is often followed by the -ing form. _____
- 'Although' is usually followed by the -ing form. _____
- 'Despite' and 'although' are followed by the same grammatical structure. _____
- 'In spite of' can be followed by 'the fact that ...'. _____

- 1 My school is great, although we don't have many facilities. **not**
Despite _____, my school is great.
- 2 I enjoy English, despite there being so many things to learn. **although**
I enjoy English, _____ things to learn.
- 3 Our teacher tries hard to explain, but I still don't understand chemistry. **of**
I still don't understand chemistry, in _____ hard to explain.
- 4 In spite of his having a bad temper, Mr Turner is a popular teacher. **despite**
Mr Turner is a popular teacher _____ has a bad temper.

Complete the sentences

Use the words from the box to complete four of the following sentences. The other sentences are correct and you should write a dash (–) in the gap to show that no word is necessary.

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- 1 The club decided to cut _____ on the number of tickets issued to supporters of away teams.
- 2 I think the council should turn _____ the land on the edge of town into a sports field.
- 3 The building of the Olympic village has been held _____ by delays in getting permission from the owners of the land.
- 4 The game against United has been put _____ until the start of next month.
- 5 You can take it _____ from me that this team has a great chance to win on Saturday.
- 6 I asked the secretary to put me _____ to the manager of the team.

