

ADDITION AND CONTRAST

1. Complete the sentences with the connectors below.

Also – although – as well as – despite - too

- a) I've got brown eyes. My mum's got brown eyes _____.
- b) My brother's very sporty. He's _____ good at music.
- c) _____ my cousin's very successful, she isn't big-headed at all.
- d) _____ being very attractive, my best friend is great fun.
- e) _____ the fact that he's 70, my grandfather has still got all his hair!

2. Complete the chart with the connectors below. Drag and drop.

Although – also – despite – as well as – however – in spite of – too – despite the fact that – as well

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3. Complete the sentences with the connectors in activity 4. More than one possible answer might be correct. More than one possible answer might be correct.

- a) _____ Beyoncé was born in Texas, she now lives in New York.
- b) Ricky Martin has recorded songs in English _____ in Spanish.
- c) _____ performing every night on a world tour, Bono still finds time to campaign on environmental issues.
- d) Chris Martin is a talented singer and very good songwriter, _____.
- e) The band members of the Rolling Stones are now in their 60s. _____, they still enjoy making albums and touring.
- f) The music festival was great _____ the bad weather.

4. Complete the chart with the connectors below. Drag and drop.

*Furthermore – nevertheless – on the one hand – in addition to this – however
– on the other hand – besides – what's more*

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5. Choose the correct alternative

- a) The invention of the car changed the way people travelled. **Furthermore / However**, it resulted in significant changes in how people chose to live their lives.
- b) Science explains why many natural phenomena occur. **What's more / However**, as yet, it doesn't explain everything.
- c) Maths is a subject that helps you survive in everyday life. **Besides / Nevertheless**, it's not always popular among students.
- d) Chemistry is essential to our understanding of the natural world, and **nevertheless / besides**, doing experiments is fun.
- e) Communication technology has revolutionized the world of media, business, and finance. **On the other hand / In addition to this**, it enables us to chat to each other at any time of the day.

6. Rewrite these sentences with the words in brackets. You may have to change other things in the sentences too.

- a) Jane's very talented. She hasn't become famous (although).
- b) Lisa is generous. She is friendly (as well).
- c) He's tall. He's good-looking (too)
- d) He's hard-working and ambitious. He's not big-headed (despite)
- e) He's tall. He's never recognised in the street (despite)

f) She's talented. She's hard-working (also)

g) Ben plays lead guitar. He's lead vocalist (as well)

h) She's shy. She has a good sense of humour (although)

7. Choose the correct alternative

a) Scientists say a product is safe. **In addition / However**, they can only be sure that it's safe if they have tested it.

b) It's illogical, **in addition / on the other hand**, for people to say mobile phones are ruining our lives, while on the other hand / furthermore, they use mobile phones themselves.

c) We have learnt a great deal about the Earth as a result of space exploration and, **in addition / on the other hand**, the space programme has benefited mankind in many other ways.

d) The internet has changed how humans communicate. **However / Furthermore**, it has made communication faster and easier.

f) Science fiction novels are often based upon real scientific research. **Nevertheless / What's more**, some novels have predicted the future correctly.

e) No one has invented a time machine yet. **However / In addition**, many people believe that building one is at least theoretically possible.

8. Join the sentences using the appropriate connectors in the box. Use each connector once.

Furthermore – nevertheless – on the one hand – however – on the other hand – what's more

a) I agree that studying science is very important. _____, I think that there are also strong reasons for studying arts subjects, too.

b) _____, studying science teaches us important facts about why natural phenomena take place.

c) _____, in science lessons, we learn to experiment, observe and reason.

d) _____, it is equally true that by studying arts subjects we learn about history and human behaviour.

e) _____, in arts lessons, we develop our imaginations and our ability to communicate and to discuss things.

f) In conclusion, science subjects are important. _____, in my opinion, they are no more important than arts subjects.