



**To begin an adverb clause, use *although* or *even though*.**

I'd like to live in a small town someday **even though** I love all the opportunities in big cities. **Although** I love all the opportunities in big cities, I'd like to live in a small town someday.

**To begin an independent clause, use the transition words *however*, *nevertheless*, or *on the other hand*. Note the punctuation with transition words.**

I love big cities. **However / On the other hand**, I'd like to live in a small town someday. I love big cities; **nevertheless / however**, I'd like to live in a small town someday.

**To begin a noun phrase, use the prepositions *despite* or *in spite of*.**

**Despite** all the opportunities in big cities, I'd like to live in a small town someday.

I'd like to live in a small town someday **in spite of** all the opportunities in big cities.



Complete each sentence with a word or phrase from the box. Sometimes more than one answer is possible.

although    however    in spite of    on the other hand    nevertheless



1. This is a great city; nevertheless / however, it's too crowded.
2. \_\_\_\_\_ living downtown is expensive, there's a lot to do.
3. The summer is beautiful here. \_\_\_\_\_, it's terrible in the winter.
4. \_\_\_\_\_ the high crime rate, I'm not afraid to walk home alone after dark.

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