



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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