

Extra Activities



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Discourse Markers

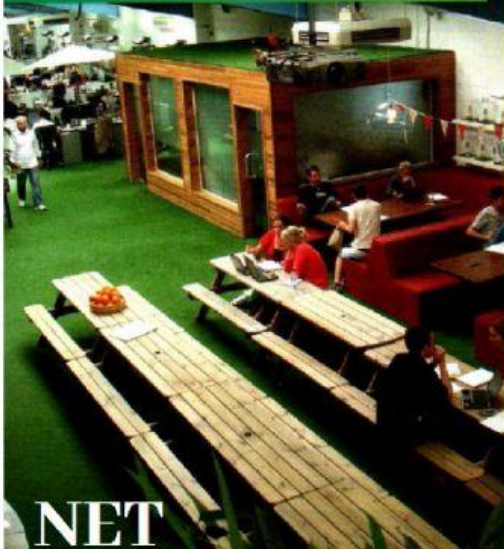
3 GRAMMAR discourse markers 1: linkers

a ~~Cross out~~ the linker that is NOT possible in the sentences.

- 1 **In spite of** / ~~**Even though**~~ / **Despite** being the better player, Richard lost the match.
- 2 Laila's mother-in-law was a very difficult woman.
However / **Nevertheless** / **Consequently** Laila couldn't help liking her.
- 3 We set off at dawn **owing to** / **in order to** / **so as to** avoid the rush hour traffic.
- 4 Sales figures have fallen drastically **due to** / **because** / **owing to** the recession.
- 5 The workers covered the furniture with sheets **so as not to** / **not to** / **in order not to** splash it with paint.
- 6 After his accident my brother sold his car **as** / **since** / **because of** he couldn't afford the insurance.
- 7 We admit full responsibility for the error and **nevertheless** / **consequently** / **therefore** wish to offer you a full refund.
- 8 I agreed to help on the stall **although** / **in case** / **even though** I didn't feel like it.



Working where the grass is always greener



In a *Sunday Times* survey, *innocent drinks* was found to be one of the companies with the happiest employees. This London-based company was set up by three university students in 1999 and started off making smoothies, a drink made with fruit juice and yoghurt. It now employs over 200 people, and has added vegetable pots to its products. The company calls itself 'innocent' because it only uses pure fresh ingredients. Part of its marketing strategy is to use delivery vans which are decorated to look like cows or grassy fields. The company also prides itself on being 'a happy place to work' and 'people-orientated', with a relaxed working environment, which includes having a grass floor in the office!

Why I like working at Innocent



LIVEWORKSHEETS



Consider this topic



What makes people happy at work?

- ☐ Being part of a successful team.
- ☐ Doing something rewarding.
- ☐ Doing varied work.
- ☐ Earning a competitive salary.
- ☐ Doing enjoyable work.
- ☐ Feeling that you are making a difference.
- ☐ Having a good boss or manager.
- ☐ Having a good work-life balance.
- ☐ Having friendly, supportive colleagues.
- ☐ Having your achievements recognized.

Source: *Chiumento's Happiness at Work Index*



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3 Job advertisements

Use these words to complete the adverts:

salary	experience
temporary	rates
training	leave
applicant	apply
requires	position



Cleaner

Local hotel cleaner Monday
– Friday, 9am – 1pm. Good
of pay. Tel: 01345 876545

Accounts

Full-time in busy car hire
company. To start immediately.
Computer skills essential.
according to age and experience.
Phone Busby's on 01267 435 985.

Sales Assistant

The successful must be
hard-working, responsible and honest.
Previous an advantage but
full will be given.
to: Mr P Dale, Tel. 01274 768231.

Nurse

. position for three months to
replace nurse on maternity .





4 Personal qualities

Mark the sentences P (positive) or N (negative):

1. She's very ambitious. I'm sure she'll be very successful one day.
2. He isn't very reliable. He takes a day off sick every two weeks.
3. She's a bit lazy. She doesn't do anything if she doesn't have to.
4. He's extremely conscientious. He's often here long after everyone else has gone home.
5. She's very flexible. She can adapt to most situations.
6. He hasn't got much self-confidence. He worries about what people think of him.
7. He's very punctual. He's never late for meetings.
8. She's always on top of her work. Her desk is always tidy.

6 Job or work?

Complete the sentences with work or job:

1. I'm a bit nervous. I'm starting a new next week.
2. I hear you're a lorry driver. I bet that's hard, isn't it?
3. I'm looking for part-time A full-time would be too much for me at the moment.
4. I didn't really want to go back to after I had the baby.
5. I'm sorry, I can't stop now. I've got a lot of to do.
6. Judging by the car he drives, I'd say he's got a pretty good
7. I'm hoping to find some casual while I'm at college – working in a bar or a shop.
8. I want to do something a bit different. I wouldn't like a regular nine-to-five

What is the easy grammatical way to do this exercise? Did you notice it?

Grammar?

