

9A GRAMMAR clauses of contrast and purpose

a Match 1–10 with a–j to make complete sentences.

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| 1 They went to London for... | ☒ g | a be late. |
| 2 She flew to São Paulo to... | ☐ | b the rough sea. |
| 3 Although Josh played really well, ... | ☐ | c the fact that it was raining. |
| 4 We downloaded a travel app so that... | ☐ | d avoid the traffic. |
| 5 Despite losing the first set, ... | ☐ | e I still went to work. |
| 6 Even though I wasn't feeling very well, ... | ☐ | f she won the match. |
| 7 I took a taxi so as not to... | ☐ | g a weekend break . |
| 8 He went for a walk in spite of... | ☐ | h he lost in the end. |
| 9 We left early in order to... | ☐ | i we would know the best things to see. |
| 10 The men went out fishing in spite of... | ☐ | j visit her brother. |

b Rewrite the sentences using the words in brackets so that both sentences mean the same.

- In spite of the cold weather, the barbecue was a success. (**although**)
Although the weather was cold, the barbecue was a success.
- A lot of companies have reduced staff numbers so that they can save money. (**in order to**)

- Even though the flight was long, she felt great when she arrived in New York. (**despite**)

- Nick didn't tell Louisa the truth because he didn't want to hurt her feelings. (**so as**)

- I bought the shoes in spite of the fact that they were ridiculously expensive. (**even though**)

- The company has a big market share even though they do very little advertising. (**in spite of**)

- They had to leave the hotel early. If they hadn't, they would have missed their train. (**so that**)

- She didn't get the job in spite of being a strong candidate. (**though**)

ACTIVATION

Complete the sentences with your own ideas. Then compare with a partner.

- Sara is learning English in order to _____.
- My husband isn't making very good progress in English, even though _____.
- Nicola watches films in English to _____.
- Jan passed his English exam despite _____.
- Our English teacher took us to London for the weekend so that _____.

Write **two** true sentences about yourself and learning English. Use expressions of contrast and purpose. Then compare your ideas with a partner.