86 Expressions (2)

A Linking expressions

The Council are proposing to replace the old Avon Street multi-storey car park with new modern office space, a leisure park, and a much smaller underground car park. They say:

- they are doing it **in order to** reduce the number of cars in the town centre.
- it will **result in** less pollution, which is largely **due to** cars.
- **in contrast to** an earlier plan, this scheme provides much needed office space, **as well as** a leisure park.
- it is good for residents, and **what's more**, tourists will find it more attractive.
- that **even if** they kept a large car park, the existing one would have to be rebuilt at enormous cost.

At the same time, motorists say there won't be enough parking spaces in the town centre. Other residents have said they might support it, **depending on** the cost. **To put it another way**, they will support it if they don't have to pay too much for it.

GLOSSARY

in order to do sth	so that you can do sth
result in sth	make sth happen; cause
due to sth/sb	because of sth/sb
in contrast to sth	showing a difference between two things/people
as well (as sth/sb)	in addition to sth/sb
what's more	used for adding another fact; also
even if	used for saying that what follows *if* makes no difference
at the same time	used to introduce a contrasting fact **on the other hand**
depending on sb/sth	used for saying you are not certain of sth until other things have been considered
to put it another way	used to introduce a different way of saying the same thing **in other words**

1 Complete the expressions.

▶ due to

1 in other _____
2 depending _____ the weather
3 what's _____
4 in contrast _____ December
5 result _____ war
6 even _____
7 at the same _____
8 in order _____ improve conditions

2 Complete the sentences in a logical way.

▶ My father came to the concert as well as my mother.

1 The accident was due to _____.
2 I bought a telescope in order to _____.
3 Sarah doesn't tell the truth. To put it another way, she _____.
4 The beds were small, and what's more, _____.
5 I wouldn't do a 50 km walk even if _____.
6 The new machines will result in _____.
7 It's not a very attractive suitcase and was expensive. At the same time, _____.
8 We may have a picnic, depending on _____.

3 Complete the sentences with a suitable expression.

▶ The new timetable is much better, and I think it will also result in a better service.

1 With this phone, I get much more data _____ unlimited free calls and texts.
2 To be honest, I think most of his success was _____ luck.
3 This food mixer is difficult to use and clean. _____ it was a bad buy.
4 The children are noisy and a bit rude, and _____, their parents are no better.
5 I may have time for lunch, _____ what time I get there.
6 I had to go to the station _____ buy some tickets.
7 _____ Dad's old flat, which was small and dark, the new place has big rooms and is really light.
8 I don't think the job is well paid. _____, it's a good company with good prospects.

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B Trouble with exams

Hi Abi

Well, yesterday's exam was a **total disaster!** I worked all night, trying to **learn** everything **by heart**, but it **didn't make any difference** – I still couldn't answer the questions. **I'm getting nowhere** and it's **kind of** worrying – I'm just getting **more and more** stressed. And I've got another three exams next week!

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Hi Tara

Look, you can only **do your best**. I wouldn't stay up all night, **if I were you**. You'd **be better off** having **an early night**. I usually stop every 30 minutes for a short break. Why don't you **give that a go**?

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GLOSSARY

total	complete: ***a total disaster***	**do/try you best**	do all or the most that you can
by heart	by remembering sth exactly: ***learn sth by heart***	**if I were you**	used when you are giving advice
make a difference	have an effect: ***make no difference / not make any difference***	**be better off (doing sth)**	be in a more pleasant or suitable situation
get somewhere/nowhere	make/not make progress	**an early night**	an evening when you go to bed earlier/later than usual OPP **a late night**
kind of *inf*	a little	**a go (at sth/doing sth)** *inf*	an occasion when you try to do sth: ***give sth a go/ have a go at sth***
more and more	an increasing amount or number		

4 Same or different? Write *S* or *D*.

▶ I'm having an early night. /I'm going to bed early. S

1 if I were you / if I knew you .....

2 It's a total disaster. / It's a complete disaster. .....

3 more and more / more or less .....

4 I'll give the game a go. / I'll try to play the game. .....

5 She learns verbs by heart. / She learns verbs easily. .....

6 I'm kind of busy. / I'm incredibly busy. .....

7 You'd be better off going to bed. / You'd prefer to be in bed. .....

8 I'm getting somewhere. / I'm making progress. .....

5 One word is missing in each sentence. What is it, and where does it go? Write it at the end.

▶ The meal was a total /– I'm never cooking fish for anyone again. disaster

1 You don't look well. I think you'd be off staying at home tomorrow. .....

2 Donna had a very night so she's tired and in a bad mood today. .....

3 I've never been horse riding, but I'd love to give a go. .....

4 When I was at school, we learnt irregular verbs heart. I can still remember them. .....

5 Whatever you say, it won't make difference. I'm not going to work! .....

6 I'm writing a novel, and it's very difficult. I feel I'm nowhere. I may just give up. .....

7 I know it's hard but if I you, I would try to put the children to bed earlier. .....

8 Marisa is kind odd, but she can be fun to be with. .....

6 Complete the dialogues.

▶ You've had no luck finding a job, then? ~ No, it's terrible. I'm getting nowhere.

1 Are you happy to try the race? ~ Yes, I'll _____.

2 Are you going to bed so soon? ~ Yes, I need _____.

3 Can you be here before ten tomorrow? ~ OK, I'll do _____.

4 Did you talk to someone about your problems? ~ Yes, and it made _____.

5 Is the new company making progress? ~ Yes, at last we're _____.

6 Did you study poetry at school? ~ Yes, I still remember the poems I learnt _____.

7 Are you looking forward to the holiday? ~ Yes, I'm getting more _____.

8 What shall I do about the car? ~ I'd sell it, if I _____.

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