

1 Complete the sentences with the correct linking word.

- 1- I love studying English; _____, I find grammar challenging.
(however, furthermore, because)
- 2- _____ it was raining, we decided to go hiking.
(although, because, as a result)
- 3- _____ her hard work, she got promoted.
(in addition to, due to, because)
- 4- I forgot my umbrella, _____ I got soaked on my way home.
(therefore, nevertheless, since)
- 5- She studied for weeks; _____, she passed her exams with excellent grades.
(furthermore, as a result, however)

2 Choose the correct linking word.

6. (**Although / Because**) she was tired, she finished her homework on time.
7. The restaurant was closed, (**despite / so**) we went somewhere else to eat.
8. (**In contrast / In addition**) to their main products, they also sell accessories.
9. (**Since / Nevertheless**) it was late, they decided to go home.

10. They worked very hard; (**therefore / because**) they achieved their goals.

3 Fill in the blanks with the correct linking word from the options below.

Options: *on the other hand, as a result, in conclusion, besides, despite.*

11. _____ of her busy schedule, she always finds time to exercise.

12. _____, we can see that learning languages brings many benefits.

13. This movie is entertaining. _____, the actors did a great job.

14. Some people like the city life. _____, others prefer the countryside.

15. She forgot to set an alarm; _____, she missed the meeting.