

Linking words (2) although • but

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We use **although** or **but** to link different ideas.

Although I like doing sports, ~~but~~ I don't like playing badminton.

Never use **although** and **but** in the same sentence.



Warm up

Match the clauses to form correct sentences. Write the correct letters in the boxes.

1 Jim isn't good at sports

a although it is fast.

2 Although we like animals,

b but it is bad for us.

3 Travelling by Airport Express is expensive,

c there are a lot of animals living there.

4 Junk food tastes good

d we don't have any pets.

5 Although the forest is small,

e but he loves watching sports programmes.

Practice

A Fill in the blanks with 'although' or 'but'.

1 I don't have much pocket money _____ I can buy a card for Dad.

2 _____ Pete ran fast, he didn't get to the bus stop in time.

3 The dishes were expensive, _____ they were delicious.

4 My cousins can play the guitar _____ they can't play the drums.

5 _____ the film was boring, the actors were good.

Date: _____



B Write sentences using the words given.

- 1 Betsy isn't good at English / she wants to improve (but)

- 2 Jason isn't tall / he can dust the bookshelves by himself (Although)

- 4 Brian practised hard / he failed his piano exam (Although)



Complete the sentences with 'because', 'so', 'although' or 'but' and the correct form of the verbs given.

In our spare time

Bella
I like going to the country park ① _____ I enjoy ② _____ (have) picnics.

Pat
I enjoy ③ _____ (take) photos of birds ④ _____ I like going to Hong Kong Wetland Park.

Simon
I like going to theme parks ⑤ _____ I like ⑥ _____ (go) on rides. I go to my favourite theme park by taxi. ⑦ _____ travelling by taxi is comfortable, it's expensive.

Thomas
I like going to Lantau Island ⑧ _____ I like ⑨ _____ (eat) seafood in the restaurants near the pier. I go by ferry. Travelling by ferry is slow ⑩ _____ it's comfortable.