

Conjunctions and Conjunctive Adverbs

Time

before after while when during first second
third now then

Cause (reason)

because since for

Result (final situation)

therefore so as a result consequently

Contrast (opposite)

but however nevertheless on the contrary on the other hand

Concession (opposite to what we expect; surprising)

even though although though despite

Addition (more information)

in addition moreover and furthermore

Exercise

Decide on the relationship between the ideas in the following sentences and fill in each blank with one of the words or expressions above.

1. The students didn't study for the exam; _____ they failed it.
2. The students failed the exam _____ they didn't study.
3. _____ I was watching the movie, someone beside me went to buy popcorn.
4. Today is Friday. I feel happy; _____ I am excited about my plans for the weekend.
5. You like studying; _____ I like playing sports.
6. _____ they never study, they will pass.
7. _____ it is very late, they will go home now.
8. Some people enjoy winter; _____ other people hate it.
9. When I make spaghetti, _____ I make the sauce, and _____ I cook the pasta.
10. _____ it was a terrible accident, no one was hurt.