

Grammar – Contrast

Using Despite, In Spite Of, Although, Even Though, Though 2

- a) Complete the first sentence with a suitable clause.
b) Then transform it into a sentence with 'Although', 'Even Though', or 'Though'.

DESPITE / IN SPITE OF + noun / gerund / pronoun
ALTHOUGH / EVEN THOUGH / THOUGH + subject and verb

Despite / In spite of... [e.g.]

- a) feeling a little under the weather, Craig finished his report on time.
b) **Although** he was feeling a little under the weather, Craig finished his report on time.

1. a) the bad weather _____
b) _____
2. a) my best intentions _____
b) _____
3. a) her appalling bad manners _____
b) _____
4. a) taking a nice present to the party _____
b) _____
5. a) the accident last year _____
b) _____
6. a) everybody telling me not to _____
b) _____
7. a) getting to work on time _____
b) _____
8. a) his many difficulties _____
b) _____
9. a) not knowing the correct details _____
b) _____
10. a) being on holiday _____
b) _____
11. a) sleeping in every day _____
b) _____
12. a) the farmer's advice _____
b) _____
13. a) having another pudding _____
b) _____
14. a) John's positive influence _____
b) _____
15. a) the flight being late _____
b) _____

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Answers may vary. Sample answers:

Despite / In spite of...

1. a) the bad weather, we still had a lovely holiday in Devon.
b) **Although** the weather was bad, we still had a lovely holiday in Devon.
2. a) my best intentions, I think my diet is officially over.
b) **Though** I had the best intentions, I think my diet is officially over.
3. a) her appalling bad manners, I couldn't help falling in love with Bernice.
b) **Although** her manners were appalling, I couldn't help falling in love with Bernice.
4. a) taking a nice present to the party, I wasn't allowed in due to a previous altercation.
b) **Even though** I took a nice present to the party, I wasn't allowed in due to a previous altercation.