

IV. Complete the sentences, using *although, despite, in spite of, however, or nevertheless*.

1. _____ it was raining heavily, he went out without a raincoat.
2. My father is very busy. _____, he is always willing to give a hand with the housework.
3. Some English words have the same pronunciation _____ they are spelled differently, for example, *dear* and *deer*.
4. I was cold and wet. _____, Bob put on his swimming suit and went to the beach.
5. I think I did OK in my speech last night _____ I'd had almost no sleep for 24 hours.
6. Carol arrived at the meeting _____ I asked her not to be there.
7. The sky was grey and cloudy. _____, we went to the beach.
8. It looks like they're going to succeed _____ their present difficulties.
9. _____ there was no electricity, I was able to read because I had a candle.
10. _____ I heard the telephone ring, I didn't answer it.

V. Rewrite the sentences, using the words in the brackets. Change other words in the sentence if necessary.

1. I couldn't sleep. I was tired. (in spite of)

2. They have little money. They are happy. (despite)

3. My foot was hurt. I managed to walk to the nearest village. (although)

4. We planned to visit Petronas in the afternoon. We could not afford the fee. (however)

5. I got very wet in the rain. I had an umbrella. (although)

VI. Read the film review, and decide whether the statements are true (T), or false (F), and write the correct box.

Have you ever read *Alice In Wonderland*, by Lewis Carol? I did and I really like it. It's an adventure story full of magic and danger. Yesterday I saw Tim Burton's version of the film at the cinema.

This story is about Alice, who is now a teenager. A man wants to marry her, but she runs away and falls down a rabbit hole. She travels to Wonderland, which she has visited before as a child, and meets a lot of amazing characters on her adventures.

There are a lot of good special effects in the film. The Red Queen, played by Helena Bonham Carter, is very scary, and Johnny Depp is brilliant as the Mad Hatter. He has acted in a lot of films before but this is my favourite one. Mia Waslkowska is good as Alice; this is her first big film and I think she's going to become a big star!

Overall, I think this is a good film for teenagers, but it's a bit long. You should see it if you like fantasy and adventure, but don't go if you like romances: it's not a love story.

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Write true (T) or false (F):

1. *Wonderland* was directed by Lewis Carol.
2. The film is both an adventure story and a love story.
3. Alice is still in her childhood.
4. Alice has never been to Wonderland before.
5. She meets a lot of amazing people in Wonderland.
6. The special effects in the films are good.