

## Grade 10

### Unit 8

## Connectives

### What are connectives?

A connective is a word that joins one part of a text to another. Basically it joins two separate ideas in two sentences or paragraphs and they usually come at the start of a sentence.

It can be a conjunction, a preposition, or an adverb. For example **While, although, even though, though, in spite of**, and **whenever** are some of them.

### **In spite of**

It is used to describe an unexpected situation.

E.g.:- **In spite of** completing his master's degree, he could not find a quality job.

**In spite of** John had a good memory, he did not even remember the name of his first teacher.

### **Although**

Although is used to connect phrases, clauses, or sentences. Generally it is used with contrast facts.

E.g.:- I didn't win the game, **although** I tried as hard as I could.

**Although** she always wears green, she says red is her favorite colour.

### **Whenever**

Whenever means at every time or at any time.

E.g.:- You can go **whenever** you want but never forget to call me.

**Whenever** my aunt comes to us, she brings some good gifts for my brothers.

## While

While means at the same time or at a period of time

E.g.:- **While** she was waiting ,he poured a cup of coffee.

I often go to sleep **while** I'm watching television.

## Though and Even though

Despite the fact.

E.g.:- I'm going out right now, **even though** it's raining.

She's still leaving the company, **even though** they offered her a promotion yesterday.

**Though** I do not usually drink coffee, I have had two cups today.

Fill in the blanks using the correct connective given in the brackets.

### Activity 01

(In spite of, whenever, while, though, even though, although)

- We didn't speak.....we were eating.
- We are still very hungry,.....we ate very much.
- They went out ..... the rain.
- You can call my mother..... you want.
- He had a good time with his family..... He was very busy yesterday.
- We can visit the baby..... you want and we can watch the football game..... you want.
- ..... The fact that Mark helps the poor, he isn't rich.
- .....it rained a lot, we enjoyed the holiday.
- .....they were rich, they lived simply.
- .....we were playing, Rama came with delicious food.
- .....he was sleeping, an enemy had entered his house.
- .....I am lazy, my sister is really hard-working.
- .....I like music my brother hates it.
- ..... You helped her, she doesn't help anyone.
- .....I was reading a book, she returned home.

### Activity 01-Answers

- We didn't speak..... **while** .....we were eating.
- We are still very hungry, **even though**.....we ate very much.
- They went out .....**in spite of**..... the rain.
- You can call my mother.....**whenever**..... you want.
- He had a good time with his family, although..... He was very busy yesterday.
- We can visit the baby.....**whenever**..... you want and we can watch the football game.....**whenever**..... you want.
- .....**In spite of**..... The fact that Mark helps the poor, he isn't rich.
- .....**Although**.....it rained a lot, we enjoyed the holiday.
- .....**Although**.....they were rich, they lived simply.
- ..... **While** .....we were playing, Rama came with delicious food.
- ..... **While** .....he was sleeping, an enemy had entered his house.
- .....**Even though**.....I am lazy, my sister is really hard-working.
- .....**Although**.....I like music, my brother hates it.
- ...**Although**..... you helped her, she doesn't help you anyone.
- ..... **While** .....I was reading a book, she returned home.

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