

APPENDIX A

Name _____ Age _____ 20-30 _____ 30-40 _____ 40 +

Level _____ Nationality _____ First language _____

Read each of the following sequences of sentences carefully. Under each sequence in the space between the sentences, are listed three connectives. For each connective, determine if you think it would be acceptable as a link between the two sentences. That is, does it sound right to you? If you are sure it can occur linking the two sentences, put a “+” in the space before the connective. If you are sure it cannot occur linking the two sentences, put a “-” before the connective. If you are unsure, put a “?”. Keep in mind that sometimes all three connectives may link the two sentences, and sometimes all three connectives may not link the two sentences, and sometimes some of them may link the two sentences and some of them may not.

Example:

Americans like to eat out. _____ the Chinese like to eat in.

 + But

 + However,

 - On the contrary,

You would place a “+” before the “But” and “However” but a “-” before the “On the contrary”.

1. Mary wasn't in love with John. _____ she married him.

_____ On the other hand,

_____ On the contrary,

_____ Despite that

2. I can explain it orally. _____ if you insist, I will put it in writing.

_____ Nevertheless,

_____ Despite that,

_____ However,

3. I hoped he would go early. _____ he stayed till midnight.

_____ On the other hand,

_____ On the contrary,

_____ In contrast,

4. John doesn't look very happy. _____ Mary seems all right, though.

_____ But

_____ However,

_____ Nevertheless,

5. You can phone the doctor if you like. _____ I doubt whether you will get him to come out on a Saturday night.

- ___ But
- ___ However,
- ___ On the other hand,

6. He is poor. _____ he is satisfied with his situation.

- ___ Nevertheless,
- ___ Despite that,
- ___ Instead,

7. We don't have to go to the party. _____ I will go.

- ___ Instead,
- ___ However,
- ___ Nevertheless,

8. We left late. _____ we arrived home on time.

- ___ But
- ___ However,
- ___ Instead,

9. John is very friendly. _____ his brother, Bob, is very rude.

- ___ On the other hand,
- ___ Despite that,
- ___ In contrast,

10. Harry didn't go to the county fair. _____ he stayed home and did his homework.

- ___ But
- ___ Instead,
- ___ Nevertheless,

11. John felt sick. _____ he still went to school.

- ___ In contrast,
- ___ Nevertheless,
- ___ Despite that,

12. He's good looking. _____ that isn't going to get him a job in this market.

- ___ On the other hand,
- ___ But
- ___ In contrast,

13. John runs marathons. _____ Jim sits home and sleeps.

- ___ But
- ___ Instead,
- ___ In contrast,

14. Harry is no gentleman. _____ he is a rude bore.
___ Nevertheless,
___ Despite that,
___ On the contrary,
15. It may rain today. _____ it may not.
___ Nevertheless,
___ Despite that,
___ On the other hand,
16. John was late in leaving home. _____ he arrived on time.
___ But
___ However,
___ Despite this,
17. The Democrat's mascot is a donkey. _____ the Republican's is an elephant.
___ But
___ However,
___ In contrast,
18. The shipment of candy has arrived. _____ I don't want you to touch it.
___ But
___ However,
___ On the contrary,
19. Don't smoke tobacco. _____ chew this stuff.
___ On the other hand,
___ On the contrary,
___ Instead,
20. Keep the faith. _____ don't be stupid about it.
___ But,
___ Instead,
___ On the other hand,
21. I know that sue wasn't here today. _____ when will she be able to come?
___ But
___ However,
___ On the other hand,
22. Don't sit down. _____ I want you to take a walk with me.
___ But
___ Instead,
___ On the contrary,
23. John was late in leaving for the party. _____ he arrived on time.

- ___ Nevertheless,
- ___ Despite this,
- ___ But

24. Don't stop. _____ keep going until you see the red house.
___ On the other hand,
___ On the contrary,
___ However,

25. Take a letter. _____ I don't want you to send it right away.
___ On the other hand,
___ On the contrary,
___ But

26. I didn't have enough money. _____ I took a vacation and went to Italy for two weeks.
___ On the other hand,
___ On the contrary,
___ Nevertheless,

27. I have been trying to explain it to you. _____ you are not listening to me.
___ But
___ Instead,
___ Nevertheless,

28. Don't call your girlfriend. _____ call your mother. She will give you good advice.
___ Instead,
___ On the other hand,
___ However,

29. John can't see very well. _____ he can hear perfectly.
___ Instead,
___ However,
___ In contrast,

30. He didn't go to his father's funeral. _____ he wasn't sorry at all.
___ Instead,
___ However,
___ Despite this,