

# Linking Devices.

Choose the *best* word to go into each of these spaces.

1. The new supermarket is so much cheaper than the one in John Street. \_\_\_\_\_, they do free home deliveries too.

However

On the whole

**Furthermore**

2. Australia has some beautiful parts of the country. \_\_\_\_\_, they also have a lot of dangerous animals.

Though

**However**

Despite

3. \_\_\_\_\_ the high risk involved, many scientists chase tornadoes so they can study them more closely.

But

Though

**Despite**

4. \_\_\_\_\_ television can be educational, I think it's better to read a book.

On the other hand

**Even though**

However

5. So you can see there are both advantages and disadvantages of the new system for organising the timetable. \_\_\_\_\_, I would say it would be better to stick with the current system.

**On the whole**

And

Lastly

6. \_\_\_\_\_ the rain and the high winds, they never went camping.

Because

**Due to**

Despite

7. This new computer has a better monitor. Its memory is twice as large as the current one and we can use the internet with it. \_\_\_\_\_ its software will make our job so much easier.

**Finally**

However

In short

8. Saline speaks in class when we are trying to work. She shouts out to other students when it is not necessary and when she does ask me a question, it is doubtlessly a stupid one just to get some attention. \_\_\_\_\_ she is a very disruptive presence in the class. I'm sorry Mr. Philicott.

Furthermore

And

**In short**

## Double Comparatives

1. The **harder** you study for these exams, the **better** you will do.
2. She doesn't really like vodka, so the **smaller** a bottle you find, the **cheaper** it will be for us.
3. My neighbour is driving me mad! It seems that the **later** it is at night, the **louder** he plays his music!
4. He spent a year in India and loves spicy food. The **hotter** the food is, the **more** he likes it.
5. Of course you can come to the party. The **more** the **merrier**.
6. She will be really angry about that vase being broken! The **less** she knows about it, the **better**.
7. He has 6 large dogs to protect his house. The **bigger** the dog, the **safer** he feels.
8. Earning money has always been the thing that pleases him most. The **richer** he becomes, the **happier** he is.
9. You must drive slower in built up areas. The **faster** you drive in the city, the **more probable** it is that you will have an accident.

# Prefix Worksheet

1. The **multilingual** staff at this school will make you feel very welcome.
2. He has been charged with **misuse** of company funds.
3. **Pro**-government forces have won the latest battle and the Prime Minister seems safe for the time being.
4. This was an early prototype of an **anti**-aircraft missile but was replaced within a year due to repeated malfunction.
5. The meat was superb but the pasta was completely **overcooked** and tasted like wet cardboard.
6. The bar was closed down for having sold alcoholic drinks to **underage** customers.
7. I am not a socialist now. I would describe myself as an **ex**-communist but I have changed my opinions on many matters.
8. Many Hollywood celebrities now sign **pre**-nuptial agreements to prevent financial disputes if things go wrong.
9. I used to work for a large **non**-profit organisation that worked in the Third World to improve education provision.

## Past Simple or Present Perfect?

1. 'This is my house.' 'How long you **HAVE YOU LIVED** here?' 'I **HAVE LIVED** here since 1997.'
2. He **LIVED** in London for two years and then he **WENT** to Edinburgh.
3. When I **LEFT** school, I **CUT** my hair and **HAVE WORN** it short ever since.
4. Shakespeare **WROTE** a lot of plays.
5. My brother **HAS WRITTEN** several plays. He has just finished his latest.
6. I **HAVEN'T SEEN** him for three years. I wonder where he is.
7. He **HASN'T SMOKED** for two weeks. He is trying to give it up.
8. Chopin **COMPOSED** some of his music in Majorca.
9. 'When he **DID HE ARRIVE?**' 'He **ARRIVED** at 2 o'clock.'
10. I **READ** his books when I was at school. I **ENJOYED** them very much.
11. I can't go out because I **HAVEN'T FINISHED** my work yet.
12. 'I **HAVE NEVER DRUNK** whiskey.' 'Well, have some now!'
13. Here are your shoes. I **HAVE JUST CLEANED** them.
14. I **LEFT** home at 8.00a.m. and **GOT** here at 12.00p.m.
15. I **MET** him last June.
16. **DID YOU SEE** the moon last night?
17. The actors **ARRIVED** yesterday and **STARTED** practising early this morning.
18. Cervantes **WROTE** Don Quixote.
19. He **BROKE** his leg in a skiing accident last year.
20. **HAVE YOU BEEN** here before?  
Yes, I **SPENT** my holidays here last year.  
**DID YOU HAVE** a good time?  
No, it never **STOPPED** raining.