

1ª série e 2ª série

Connectives (linking words)

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Conectivos (linking words): adição, contraste, causa e consequência

① Reading

Read the text and choose the correct answer.

Should schools ban phones?

Many schools around the world have banned smartphones in the classroom. Supporters of the ban say that phones distract students; moreover, they argue that social media can harm teenagers' mental health.

However, some teachers disagree. They believe phones can be useful tools for research and learning, as long as students use them responsibly.

Although the debate is far from over, most experts agree on one point: young people need to learn how to manage their screen time. Therefore, many schools now offer digital education classes instead of simply banning devices.

1. The word "moreover" expresses:

- ☐ a) contrast ☐ b) addition ☐ c) consequence ☐ d) time

2. "However" (paragraph 2) introduces:

- ☐ a) an opposite idea
☐ b) an example
☐ c) a conclusion
☐ d) a cause

3. "As long as" means:

- ☐ a) embora
☐ b) por causa de
☐ c) desde que (condição)
☐ d) assim que

4. "Therefore" (paragraph 3) indicates:

- ☐ a) a contrast
☐ b) an addition
☐ c) a condition
☐ d) a result or conclusion

5. "Although" could be replaced, with the same meaning, by:

- ☐ **a)** Because ☐ **b)** Even though ☐ **c)** So ☐ **d)** In addition

② Choose the connective

Complete the sentences with the connectives in the box. Use each one once.

- or because so although unless despite in addition however**

- 1.** Hurry up, _____ you will miss the bus.
- 2.** She stayed home _____ she had a fever.
- 3.** It started to rain, _____ we cancelled the picnic.
- 4.** He failed the test _____ he studied a lot.
- 5.** You won't pass the exam _____ you study harder.
- 6.** We arrived on time _____ the heavy traffic.
- 7.** Electric buses are quiet; _____, they don't pollute the air in cities.
- 8.** Recycling is important; _____, many people still don't separate their trash.

③ True or false?

Mark T (true) or F (false) about the connectives.

1. "Because of" is followed by a noun, as in "because of the rain".
☐ True ☐ False
2. "However" and "therefore" have the same meaning.
☐ True ☐ False
3. The sentence "Despite it was cold, we went swimming" is correct.
☐ True ☐ False
4. "Furthermore" expresses addition.
☐ True ☐ False

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1. Reading

1. b) addition
2. a) an opposite idea
3. c) desde que (condição)
4. d) a result or conclusion
5. b) Even though

2. Choose the connective

1. or
2. because
3. so
4. although
5. unless
6. despite
7. in addition
8. however

3. True or false?

1. True
2. False
3. False
4. True