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## Using although/though and despite/in spite of

You are writing a play script about a detective interrogating a suspect. Complete your play script with 'although' or 'though' and 'despite' or 'in spite of'.

| Detective: | (1) <u>Although/Though</u> you may think we are fools, we've figured out the truth.<br>We know you are the murderer, Mr Wu.  |
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| Mr Wu:     | I don't understand what you're talking about. (2) <u>Although/Though</u> you sound certain that I was the murderer, I'm sure you are wrong. I didn't kill my wife. I loved her very much.  |
| Detective: | So, you killed her (3) despite/in spite of the fact that you loved her?  |
| Mr Wu:     | No!  |
| Detective: | No, you didn't love her?   |
| Mr Wu:     | (4) <u>Although/Though</u> I know it's your duty to find the murderer, what you are doing right now is intentionally twisting my words.  |
| Detective: | All right. Let's get back to the facts at hand. You said your wife didn't come<br>home on Friday night. (5) <u>Despite/In spite of</u> the fact that she was not coming<br>home, you still didn't call the police until Saturday evening. This is obviously<br>suspicious, Mr Wu.                                      |
| Mr Wu:     | (6) <u>Despite/In spite of</u> what you might think, even loving couples go through rough patches. (7) <u>Although/Though</u> I didn't like it, sometimes she would stay out late drinking with her friends at the weekend. I thought that's what had happened on Friday night, so I didn't want to bother the police. |
| Detective: | Yes, according to witnesses, your wife was seen at a bar that night.<br>(8) <u>Although/Though</u> none of the witnesses said she was with her friends, she was spotted with a handsome young man. Is that why you killed her?   |
| Mr Wu:     | (9) <u>Despite/In spite of</u> your unreasonable assumption, I know that my wife would never have done that.   |
| Detective: | It's funny that you could still defend your wife. (10) <u>Despite/In spite of</u> your protests, we actually have the CCTV footage of you waiting in your car outside the bar where your wife was last seen.   |
| Mr Wu:     | Um I had just gone out for a drive that night. I just wanted to get out of the house for a breath of fresh air. That's all.  |
| Detective: | So, you went for a ride (11) despite/in spite of the heavy rain?   |
| Mr Wu:     | (12) Although/Though it was raining, it wasn't that bad.   |
| Detective: | Mr Wu, do you have a set of knives at home?  |

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| Mr Wu:     | Well, I suppose every family has a set of knives at home. There's nothing special about it. And before you make any speculation, I shall say, (13) <u>although/though</u> there are knives at my home, that doesn't make me a killer. |
|------------|---|
| Detective: | No, of course not, Mr Wu. But it is interesting that one of the knives from your set at home is missing   |
| Mr Wu:     | That's just another lie. (14) <u>Despite/In spite of</u> your attempts to trick me into confessing, I'm done talking to you. I need to see my lawyer.   |
| Detective: | (15) <u>Although/Though</u> you are entitled to a lawyer, I just have one more question. Why did you leave the murder weapon at the crime scene? You must be aware that we could easily match the knife to you?                       |
| Mr Wu:     | (16) <u>Despite/In spite of</u> your threats, I'm not a fool. I was obviously framed for this murder. Now, where is my lawyer?  |

## Using would rather ... (than) and prefer ... (to)

It is the year 2038. You became a police officer after you finished school. Your nephew is interviewing you for a class project about careers. According to your preferences, answer his questions using 'would rather ... (than)' and 'prefer ... (to)'.

| 1 | Would you rather drive or fly the police car?<br><u>I would rather drive the police car than fly it./I would rather fly the police car than</u><br>drive it.   |
|---|--|
| 2 | Would you rather be a land police or air police?<br>I would rather be a land police than an air police./ I would rather be an air police<br>than a land police.  |
| 3 | Do you prefer investigating crimes or working on community projects?<br><u>I prefer investigating crimes to working on community projects./I prefer working on</u><br><u>community projects to investigating crimes.</u>                           |
| 4 | Would you rather interrogate suspects or collect evidence at crime scenes?<br><u>I would rather interview suspects than collect evidence at crime scenes./I would</u><br><u>rather collect evidence at crime scenes than interrogate suspects.</u> |
| 5 | Do you prefer working in the field or at the office?<br><u>I prefer working in the field to at the office./I prefer working at the office to in the</u><br>field.  |

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| Nam | ne: ( ) Class: Date:   |
| 6   | Would you rather shoot a criminal with your stun gun or beat him with your baton?<br><u>I would rather shoot a criminal with my stun gun than beat him with my baton./I</u><br>would rather beat a criminal with my baton than shoot him with my stun gun. |
| 7   | Would you rather have a partner or work alone?<br>I would rather have a partner than work alone./I would rather work alone than with a partner.  |
| 8   | Do you prefer working with robots or humans?<br>I prefer working with robots to humans./I prefer working with humans to robots.  |
| 9   | Would you rather join the space police force or stay on Earth?<br><u>I would rather join the space police force than stay on Earth./I would rather stay on</u><br>Earth than join the space police force.  |
| 10  | Do you prefer watching detective films or action films?<br><u>I prefer watching detective films to action films./I prefer watching action films to</u><br><u>detective films.</u>  |
| 11  | Do you prefer being a police inspector or a police instructor?<br><u>I prefer being a police inspector to a police instructor./I prefer being a police</u><br><u>instructor to a police inspector.</u>   |
| 12  | Do you prefer having a police dog or a police robot?<br><u>I prefer having a police dog to a police robot./I prefer having a police robot to a police dog.</u>   |
| 13  | Would you rather wait for back up or rush in straightaway?<br><u>I would rather wait for back up than rush in straightaway./I would rather rush in</u><br><u>straightaway than wait for back up.</u>   |
| 14  | Would you rather be a Special Duties Unit officer or an undercover officer?<br><u>I would rather be a Special Duties Unit officer than an undercover officer./I would</u><br>rather be an undercover officer than a Special Duties Unit officer.           |
| 15  | Do you prefer being the lead detective or the secondary detective?<br><u>I prefer being the lead detective to the secondary detective./I prefer being the</u><br><u>secondary detective to the lead detective.</u>   |
| 16  | Do you prefer living in a police married quarter or a flat of your own?<br><u>I prefer living in a police married quarter to a flat of my own./I prefer living in a flat of</u><br><u>my own to a police married quarter.</u>                              |

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## **Comparative and superlative adverbs**

You watched a junior baking competition on TV. You are writing a report about what happened on the show. Complete your report with the correct forms of the words from the box. You may have to use some of the words twice.

| bad  | easy | happy | nervous | sad  |
|------|------|-------|---------|------|
| calm | good | hard  | quick   | slow |

Three contestants competed in the junior baking competition. They were Jane, Linda and Herbert. During the competition, Jane worked the most nervously of the three contestants. She looked so anxious the whole time. Linda worked (1) more nervously than Herbert but (2) more calmly than Jane. Herbert worked (3) the most calmly of the three contestants. He managed to focus on his own baking as if he was having fun in his own kitchen.

Jane finished her cake the most quickly out of all the contestants. It only took her 20 minutes. Herbert finished his cake (4) more quickly than Linda but (5) more slowly than Jane. It took him 30 minutes. Linda finished her cake (6) the most slowly of the three contestants. It took her 40 minutes.

Like a brick, Linda's cake was (7) the hardest to cut. Jane's cake was (8) easier to cut than Linda's, but (9) harder to cut than Herbert's. As soft as cotton, Herbert's cake was (10) the easiest to cut. Herbert's cake tasted (11) the best out of the three contestants. The judges spoke highly of his special recipe. The judges said Linda's cake was OK. It tasted (12) better than Jane's but (13) worse than Herbert's, but there is definitely room for improvement. Jane's cake tasted (14) the worst of all the contestants. The judges recommended Jane to revise and work harder on the basics of baking. Naturally, Herbert reacted (15) the most happily of the three contestants when he was declared the champion of the competition. Although Jane reacted (16) the most sadly of them all, our judges gave her some advice to encourage her to keep going for her dream of becoming a pastry chef!

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## Consolidation

Your friend interviewed her uncle for a class project. She asked you to help her proofread her interview transcript. Cross out the incorrect words and write the correct words on the lines on the right. Insert any missing words using a ^. Put a cross (X) on the lines on the right to delete unnecessary words.

|            | Uncle Conan, you have been a police officer for many years. You told me that you have been both a beat cop and a detective. Which do you prefer? |                              |
|------------|--|------------------------------|
| A:         | Although I enjoyed my time as a uniformed police officer, I prefer   | (A) •••                      |
| ~          | to working as a detective to working as a beat cop.  | $(1) \underline{\mathbf{X}}$ |
| Q:         | Would you rather working at the office or carry out investigations in the field?   | (2) <u>work</u>              |
| A:         | To be honest, I like investigating crime scenes although the fact that   | (3) <u>despite</u>           |
|            | it's often most dangerous. You never know what danger is lying ahead.  | (4) <u>more</u>              |
| Q:         | I heard that you are one of the most high respected police officers  | (5) <u>highly</u>            |
|            | in the force. How do you feel?   |                              |
| A:         | I wouldn't think of myself as being better to anyone else. Similarly,  | (6) <u>than</u>              |
|            | I wouldn't say that I've worked particularly hardest than any other officer.   | (7) <u>harder</u>            |
|            | I've just been most fortunate than most of my colleagues.  | (8) <u>more</u>              |
| Q:         | You're being so humble! Tell me about the strangest case you have ever<br>worked on.   |                              |
| A:         | It was when I just graduated from Police College. When I was patrolling the  |                              |
|            | streets, I got a call about a disturbance outside a residential building. Despite  | (9) <u>Although</u>          |
|            | I was on foot, I arrived the earlier at the scene. I saw a man crawling on the   | (10) <u>earliest</u>         |
|            | ground. He was behaving most strangely than anyone I had ever seen before.   | (11) <u>more</u>             |
|            | Although having dressed like a mouse, surprisingly, he imitated a cat and  | (12) <u>Despite</u>          |
|            | miaowed loudly for my attention. Then, he approached me cautiously and   |                              |
|            | asked if I would give him cheese more generous than his unfriendly   | (13) <u>generously</u>       |
|            | neighbours. I told him that I didn't have any cheese and he reacted  |                              |
|            | much more violently than I had anticipated.  |                              |
|            | Despite he knew that I was a police officer, he still tried to attack me with  | (14) <u>Although</u>         |
|            | his fake claws. I was not quite prepared for that. Thankfully, another   |                              |
|            | police officer arrived at once and helped me. I learnt an important lesson   |                              |
|            | that day that I would rather not to forget. Always expect the unexpected.  | (15) <u>X</u>                |
| <b>Q</b> : | That man acted more strangely indeed. Well, you've been a police officer   | (16) <u>most</u>             |
|            | for over 20 years now. Any plans for the future?   |                              |
| A:         | Despite I am getting older now, I don't want to retire any time soon.  | (17) <u>Although</u>         |
|            | I preferring keeping busy with work to staying home and being bored.   | (18) <u>prefer</u>           |
|            |  |                              |



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