Exercises

113.1 Complete the sentences. Use although + a sentence from the box.

I didn’t speak the language — he has a very important job.
I had never seen her before — we don’t like them very much.
it was quite cold — the heating was on.
I’d met her twice before — we’ve known each other a long time.

1. Although he has a very important job, he isn’t particularly well-paid.
2. I recognised her from a photograph, although she wasn’t wearing a coat.
3. We thought we’d better invite them to the party, although we didn’t know them very well.
4. I managed to make myself understood, although the room wasn’t warm.
5. She only accepted the job because of the salary, which was very high.
6. She accepted the job because of the salary, which was rather low.
7. I managed to get to sleep because of there was a lot of noise.
8. I couldn’t get to sleep because of the noise.

113.2 Complete the sentences with although / in spite of / because / because of.

1. Although it rained a lot, we enjoyed our holiday.
   a. all our careful plans, a lot of things went wrong.
   b. we’d planned everything carefully, a lot of things went wrong.
2. I went home early, although I was feeling unwell.
   a. I went to work the next day, although I was still feeling unwell.
   b. She only accepted the job because the salary, which was very high.
   c. She accepted the job because the salary, which was rather low.
3. I managed to get to sleep because there was a lot of noise.
   a. I couldn’t get to sleep because of the noise.

Use your own ideas to complete the following sentences:

6. a. He passed the exam although
   b. He passed the exam because
7. a. I didn’t eat anything although
   b. I didn’t eat anything in spite of

113.3 Make one sentence from two. Use the word(s) in brackets in your sentences.

1. I couldn’t sleep. I was very tired. (despite)
   I couldn’t sleep despite being very tired.
2. They have very little money. They are happy. (in spite of)
   In spite
3. My foot was injured. I managed to walk to the nearest village. (although)
4. I enjoyed the film. The story was silly. (in spite of)
5. We live in the same street. We hardly ever see each other. (despite)
6. I got very wet in the rain. I was only out for five minutes. (even though)

113.4 Use the words in brackets to make a sentence with though at the end.

1. The house isn’t very nice. (like / garden)
   I like the garden though.
2. It’s warm today. (very windy)
3. We didn’t like the food. (ate)
4. Liz is very nice. (don’t like / husband)