

DIRECTIONS: Use a connecting word to fill in the blanks.

on the contrary but therefore however furthermore
until firstly finally in conclusion so

1. We thought they would never leave. _____ they got up and asked for their coats.
2. We made eleven good points in our speech. _____ we outlined a plan or action for implementing our ideas.
3. John wanted to take the bus. _____ it was running behind schedule, so in the end we walked.
4. We planned to go to the mall, _____ we heard that they were closing early.
5. John did not bring his helmet, _____ he will not be allowed to ride a horse today.
6. I think teachers deserve better pay. _____ I think that they should be evaluated based on effort, and not performance.
7. I already finished my homework, _____ I will be outside playing whenever you're ready to join me.
8. I believe in second chances. _____ some people think that you only get one shot at everything in life.
9. I have several ideas. _____, I think that everyone should dress exactly alike.
10. My mother thinks I am sloppy. _____, I have a system for organizing everything in my room.

ANSWERS

1. finally
2. in conclusion
3. however
4. until
5. therefore
6. furthermore
7. so
8. but
9. firstly
10. on the contrary