7.8 Connectives and Discourse Markers: 10-minute Pack

about 10 minutes

Name: _____ Date: ____ / ____ / _____

Answer ALL questions.

1 Are the following statements about connectives and discourse markers TRUE or FALSE?

(a) Connectives are only ever used to join two single words together. **(1)**

- ☐ True
- ☐ False

(b) 'However' signals a contrast between two ideas. **(1)**

- ☐ True
- ☐ False

(c) 'Furthermore' introduces an idea that contradicts what has just been said. **(1)**

- ☐ True
- ☐ False

(d) Discourse markers can be used at the start of a paragraph to link it back to the paragraph before. **(1)**

- ☐ True
- ☐ False

(e) 'As a result' and 'consequently' can both introduce a cause-and-effect relationship. **(1)**

- ☐ True
- ☐ False

(f) A connective must always be a single word; multi-word phrases such as 'on the other hand' cannot function as connectives. **(1)**

- ☐ True
- ☐ False

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2 Which connective would best signal that a writer is about to sum up their argument at the end of a piece of writing?

- [ ] A) Firstly
- [ ] B) For example
- [ ] C) In conclusion
- [ ] D) Moreover

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3 Choose the connective that correctly completes each sentence.

(a) The show received excellent reviews. ___ ticket sales were disappointing. **(1)**

- ☐ A) Moreover
- ☐ B) However
- ☐ C) Similarly

(b) Sofia forgot her lines halfway through the play. ___ she stayed calm and improvised the rest of the scene. **(1)**

- ☐ A) Nevertheless
- ☐ B) For example
- ☐ C) Firstly

(c) The bakery uses only local ingredients. ___ all of its packaging is recyclable. **(1)**

- ☐ A) In addition
- ☐ B) On the other hand
- ☐ C) Therefore

(d) The engine overheated on the final lap. ___ the car had to retire from the race. **(1)**

- ☐ A) Similarly
- ☐ B) Consequently
- ☐ C) Whereas

4 Read this paragraph: 'Our school cafe now sells more fresh fruit. Also, prices have been reduced for younger pupils. Also, staff have introduced a new recycling scheme in the kitchen. Also, feedback from parents has been positive.' The word 'also' is repeated three times, making the writing feel repetitive. Identify this pattern, then suggest a DIFFERENT addition connective to replace TWO of the three repeated instances, without changing the meaning.

(3)

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Question 1

(a) False **B1**

(a) Answer: **False**

(b) True **B1**

(b) Answer: **True**

(c) False **B1**

(c) Answer: **False**

(d) True **B1**

(d) Answer: **True**

(e) True **B1**

(e) Answer: **True**

(f) False **B1**

(f) Answer: **False**

Question 2

C) In conclusion **B1**

Answer: **C**

Question 3

(a) B) However **B1**

(a) Answer: **B**

(b) A) Nevertheless **B1**

(b) Answer: **A**

(c) A) In addition **B1**

(c) Answer: **A**

(d) B) Consequently **B1**

(d) Answer: **B**

Question 4

identifies that 'also' is repeated three times / overused across the paragraph **B1**

first replacement is an accurate addition connective (e.g. Furthermore, In addition, Moreover), oe **B1**

second replacement is a different, accurate addition connective from the first, oe **B1**

Answer: **Our school cafe now sells more fresh fruit. In addition, prices have been reduced for younger pupils. Furthermore, staff have introduced a new recycling scheme in the kitchen. Also, feedback from parents has been positive.**

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