ANSWER KEY WITH EXPLANATIONS

Although or Though Quiz: 20 Questions with Answers

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Explanations

1. ___ it was raining, we went to the park.
✔ **A) Although**
A full clause (it was raining) follows, so we need the conjunction although. Despite and in spite of need a noun or an -ing form.

2. The test was hard. I passed it, ___.
✔ **C) though**
At the end of a sentence, only though works. It means however.

3. She looked at me as ___ she knew my secret.
✔ **B) though**
As though means as if. As although is not English.

4. We lost the match even ___ we played well.
✔ **C) though**
The fixed form is even though, a stronger way to say although.

5. Which sentence is correct?
✔ **A) Although she studied hard, she failed the test.**
Use one linking word, not two. Despite cannot be followed by a clause.

6. ___ tired, she finished her homework before dinner.
✔ **B) Though**
Though tired is a short form of Though she was tired. Despite would need -ing: despite being tired.

7. Strange ___ it sounds, a tomato is a fruit.
✔ **B) though**
In the pattern adjective + though + clause, though works but although does not.

8. ___ the rain, the match went ahead.
✔ **C) Despite**
The rain is a noun, not a clause, so we need despite. Although, though and even though need a subject and a verb.

9. In an essay, which is best?
✔ **A) Although the results were good, more research is needed.**
Write although in full in school writing. Although cannot go at the end of a sentence.

10. I'd love to come to your party. I'm busy on Saturday, ___.
✔ **D) though**
Though at the end adds a contrast to the sentence before. Although and even though need a clause after them.

11. He talks ___ he were the boss of the whole school.
✔ **C) as though**
As though means as if. It describes how someone seems or behaves.

12. Even ___ he's only twelve, he plays the piano beautifully.
✔ **D) though**
Even though is the standard form, a stronger way to say although.

13. I'll help you with your project, ___ I can't stay long.
✔ **B) although**
A clause follows (I can't stay long), so we need although.

14. The food was great. The service, ___, was very slow.
✔ **A) though**
Between commas, though means however. Although can't be used as an adverb like this.

15. My brother, ___ younger than me, is much taller.
✔ **D) though**
Though younger than me is a short form of though he is younger than me.

16. Nobody knows yet what the weather will do, but we'll play the match on Saturday even ___ it rains.
✔ **B) if**
We don't know if it will rain, so we use even if: it may or may not happen. Even though is for something that is already true.

17. It was a good concert, ___ not the best I've ever been to.
✔ **B) though**
Though not … is a short form with no subject or verb. It adds a small contrast to what came before.

18. The flat, ___ small, has a lovely sunny garden.
✔ **C) although**
Although small is a short form of although it is small. Despite would need a noun or -ing: despite being small.

19. ___ the fact that it was very late, we kept playing.
✔ **D) Despite**
The fact is a noun, so we need despite: despite the fact that. Although, though and even though go straight before a clause.

20. ___ I understand your point, I still disagree with you.
✔ **D) While**
At the start of a sentence, while can mean although. Despite and in spite of need a noun or -ing, not a clause.