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# Joining ideas together

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## Addition, equation and conclusion

If you take the TOEIC® Test of Spoken English, you might be asked to give a recommendation, state your opinion about something or describe the cause and / or effect of something. Your language will flow more naturally and your ideas will be clearer if you are able to 'join' your ideas together using conjunctions such as *and, so, because, but, etc.*, and other expressions.

Each of the paragraphs below contains a gap. This gap can be completed with one or more of the words or expressions below each paragraph. Decide which of them can be used.

1. Visitors to another country should respect the local environment. \_\_\_\_\_ they should respect the local customs.  
(A) **Therefore** (B) **Likewise** (C) **Similarly** (D) **In the same way**
2. \_\_\_\_\_ bringing much-needed money to developing countries, tourism provides employment for the local population.  
(A) **Besides** (B) **In the same way** (C) **As well as** (D) **In addition to**
3. Tourism brings much-needed money to developing countries. \_\_\_\_\_, it provides employment for the local population.  
(A) **Furthermore** (B) **In addition** (C) **Along with** (D) **Moreover**
4. The company lost a large share of its market to a competitor. \_\_\_\_\_, it had to close down two of its factories.  
(A) **Consequently** (B) **Likewise** (C) **Because of** (D) **As a result**
5. The acting in the movie was terrible, the story was boring and the sound quality was very poor. \_\_\_\_\_, I wouldn't recommend it to anyone.  
(A) **In brief** (B) **So** (C) **In the same way** (D) **Correspondingly**
6. When we made a loss for the third year in a row, two hundred factory workers lost their jobs \_\_\_\_\_ half the sales department.  
(A) **together** (B) **also** (C) **along with** (D) **similarly**
7. During the war, many young men went abroad to fight. \_\_\_\_\_ the number of children being born dropped sharply during this period.  
(A) **For this reason** (B) **Consequently** (C) **Besides** (D) **Since**
8. Economic activity in the area has declined \_\_\_\_\_ poor government investment.  
(A) **because of** (B) **due to** (C) **as a result of** (D) **on account of**
9. \_\_\_\_\_ my home town is mainly industrial, there is very little reason for tourists to visit it.  
(A) **Thanks to** (B) **Because of** (C) **Owing to** (D) **Seeing as**
10. 'The Clockwork Gallery' toy museum is not only popular with children: it is popular with adults \_\_\_\_\_.  
(A) **as well** (B) **too** (C) **also** (D) **in addition**
11. \_\_\_\_\_ offering a generous salary and other benefits, the company received very few applications for the job.  
(A) **In spite of** (B) **However** (C) **Despite** (D) **Nevertheless**
12. There is only one hotel in the town and it is always full. \_\_\_\_\_, if you want a room there, you should book well in advance.  
(A) **Therefore** (B) **However** (C) **Due to** (D) **Consequently**