Language quiz
Choose the correct word from the brackets to complete the sentences.

Example:
She plays rugby really well, (although/ despite) she only started playing last year.

1. (Despite/ Although) the rain, we had a good time

2. (In spite of/ Although) she's the best person for the job, she doesn't want it.

3. I'm not having a coffee (despite/ although) the fact I'm really tired.

4. (Although/ Despite) we didn't have much time, we cooked a great meal!

5. We lost (in spite of/ although) being the best team.

6. (Although/ In spite of) being really quiet, she's a great singer.

Well done! Now you can check your answers at the bottom of the next page.
Writing practice

Writing
Write down a list of things that you really want. Then write down a list of reasons not to buy them.

Write sentences about the things you really want using although, despite and in spite of.

Examples
• In spite of the cost, I’m going to buy a new car.
• Although I’ve got lots of clothes, I really want to buy a new suit.
• I want a new phone in spite of the fact that this one is still new.

Answers to exercise on page 1
1. Despite the rain, we had a good time
2. Although she’s the best person for the job, she doesn’t want it.
3. I’m not having a coffee despite the fact I’m really tired.
4. Although we didn’t have much time, we cooked a great meal!
5. We lost in spite of being the best team.
6. In spite of being really quiet, she’s a great singer.