

* To understand the function of contrasting conjunctions

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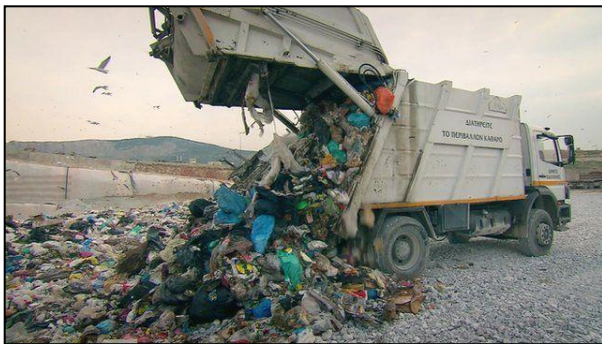
Recycling - It's Not Easy Being Green

Reduce, reuse, and recycle. Everyday we are told that we need to take more care of our planet, however it's not easy being green - or is it?



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Some people have said that recycling takes up too much of their time. Some spend the extra few minutes separating their rubbish to be recycled whereas most people complain that this takes too much time. They don't stop to think about what happens to their rubbish when it goes to the dump






even though this problem is widely reported in the news. What will happen in 20 years when our rubbish dumps are full?

On the other hand, people also use the excuse that one person doesn't make a difference. They say that one person's rubbish won't matter if everyone else recycles, however if everyone had that thought then nothing would get done! Even though it might seem like a small act, every item that is recycled takes us one step closer to saving the planet.

Recycling is not that hard when you think about it. Although many people don't know it, most things we use can be recycled. It makes sense to do everything we can to help save the planet and its animals. Green is definitely the best colour of all.

2. Underline these sentences using the key:

- Madison had finished all of her work whereas Heidi hadn't even written the title.

Key	
	Contrasting Conjunctions
	Positive Clause
	Negative Clause

- The beach was beautiful however I had forgotten to bring my swimming shorts.
- I carried on playing outside even though it was pouring with rain.
- It was pouring with rain but luckily I had remembered my umbrella.
- Isaac kept playing the ruler even though Mr Narborough had told him to stop.
- Although the sun was shining brightly, I had to stay inside and do my homework.

→ How is this last sentence **different**? What has been added to the sentence?

3. What is the **function** of contrasting conjunctions? (What do they do?)

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2. Order these cards to make a sentence. Can you reorder the cards to make another sentence that makes sense? Write up the sentences that you have made below.

- What did you need to include when you reordered your sentence?
- Did you need to use all of the cards for each sentence?

●	it was raining	,	I played outside	even though
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3. Write a **rule** for what you need to do when you reorder sentences with contrasting conjunctions. Think of your own examples to explain your rule.

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