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but, yet

'but' and 'yet' are used to join two sentences with opposing meanings.

Example 1

The flat is small. The flat is cozy.

The flat is small but cozy.

Example 2

The princess is beautiful. Unfortunately, she is very haughty.

The princess is beautiful but very haughty.

Example 3

That wrestler is small and thin. That wrestler is able to take on someone double his size.

That wrestler is small and thin yet he is able to take on someone double his size.

Example 4

Philip insists on going jogging even though the sun is shining bright and hot overhead.

The sun is shining bright and hot overhead yet Philip insists on going jogging.

Example 5

We did not invite her for the excursion. She came along anyway.

We did not invite her for the excursion but she came along anyway.

Exercise 3

For each question rewrite the given sentence(s) using the word(s) provided. Your answer must be in one sentence. The meaning of your sentence must be the same as the meaning of the given sentence(s).

1. Geraldine is tired. Geraldine refuses to go to bed.
 _____ yet

2. We did not win even though our team members were the better players.
 _____ but

3. I followed the recipe carefully and mixed the ingredients well. The cake turned out flat and tasteless.
 _____ yet

4. The brown puppy is tiny. The white puppy is tinier.
 _____ but

5. Mrs Chai did not scold Miranda. Miranda did not do her homework.
 _____ but

6. Adeline bought the red dress especially for the wedding dinner. Adeline wore the blue dress for the wedding dinner instead.
 _____ yet

7. My friends and I went to the Great Singapore Sale over the weekend. None of us bought a thing.
 _____ but

*8. In spite of his immense wealth, Roger was unhappy with his life.
 _____ yet

*9. Jamie was playing with her dolls. She was supposed to be asleep.
 _____ but

*10. All my classmates are looking forward to the class party. Lisa is not looking forward to the class party.
 _____ but
