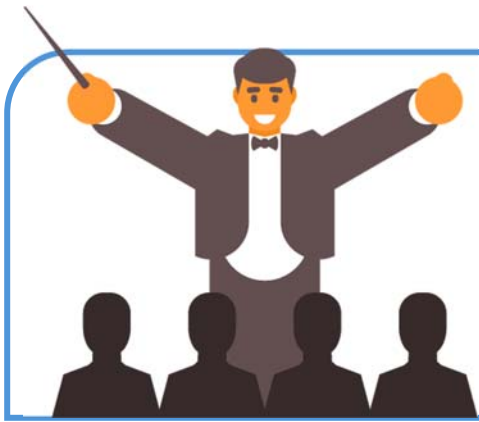


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Directions: Read each sentence carefully. Label it as **formal**, **neutral**, or **casual** based on tone. Then choose whether **despite** or **in spite of** fits best. Remember: **despite** sounds more formal, while **in spite of** fits better in everyday or casual speech.

_____ 1. She completed the research report _____ being sick all week.

_____ 2. We still had fun at the fair _____ the pouring rain.

_____ 3. The orchestra performed beautifully _____ limited rehearsal time.

_____ 4. I went to the party _____ feeling exhausted from exams.

_____ 5. The scientists continued the experiment _____ several failed trials.

_____ 6. My friends laughed _____ my terrible singing voice.

_____ 7. The company achieved its goals _____ economic challenges.

_____ 8. We hiked to the summit _____ the freezing wind.

_____ 9. The essay received high marks _____ its short length.

_____ 10. He kept smiling _____ losing the final round.