

# Discourse markers exercise

Complete the following sentences using an appropriate discourse marker.

1. .... nurses are overworked and underpaid.

In particular

Broadly speaking

Especially

Except for

2. I don't believe in ghosts. .... I haven't seen one yet.

I think

At least

In particular

In other words

3. I think he should be acquitted. .... he is too young to know the difference between right and wrong.

After all

At least

Well

Honestly

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4. The man was sleeping soundly on the river bank. .... a crocodile was creeping closer.

Despite this

Meanwhile

As a result

By contrast

5. The child didn't get any medical attention. ————, she died soon after.

Despite this

As a result

In this case

In spite of that

6. He has been warned before. ...., he shouldn't have repeated this.

In this case

In spite of this

Instead

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## Answers

1. Broadly speaking nurses are overworked and underpaid.
2. I don't believe in ghosts. At least I haven't seen one yet.
3. I think he should be acquitted. After all he is too young to know the difference between right and wrong.
4. The man was sleeping soundly on the river bank. Meanwhile a crocodile was creeping closer.
5. The child didn't get any medical attention. As a result, she died soon after.
6. He has been warned before. In this case, he shouldn't have repeated this.