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## BSc Degree

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# **CONTRAST WORDS & USEFUL VOCABULARY**

**KARTHIKA SATHYANATHAN**

# CONTRAST WORDS

- I invited Vaiga to the party. She didn't come.
- I invited Vaiga to the party **but** she didn't come. (Result is in opposition to the expectation).
- But is the simplest contrast word.
  
- **Although** I invited Vaiga to the party, she didn't come.
- Vaiga didn't come to the party **although** I invited her.
- (Result comes first and the expectation comes next. This adds focus to the expectation. Both means the same).
  
- Though is the shortened form of although. Informal – Use of it in speech more than writing
- **Though** I invited Vaiga to the party, she didn't come.
- Vaiga didn't come to the party **though** I invited her.

# CONTRAST WORDS

- Even though is a more stronger form of although. (expresses disappointment)
- **Even though** I invited Vaiga to the party, she didn't come.
- Vaiga didn't come to the party **even though** I invited her. (Stronger form of the earlier sentence).
- The word 'however' has the same meaning as 'but'.
- I invited Vaiga to the party **but** she didn't come.
- I invited Vaiga to the party **however** she did not come.
- However is a formal word. In spoken language we don't use the word "however".

# DESPITE AND INSPITE OF

- Both mean the same. You can use them interchangeably.
- Reva decided to buy an expensive car **even though** her mother objected to it.
- Reva decided to buy an expensive car despite her mother's objections.
- Reva decide to buy an expensive car in spite of her mother's objections.
- Despite of – Wrong usage.