

Linking Words Exercise 2 (Reason)

Choose the correct word or phrase in brackets to fill the space.

1. (because / because of)

We stayed inside _____ the storm.

2. (since / because of)

I wanted to stay longer _____ I was really enjoying the party.

3. (as / due to)

Amanda stayed at home _____ her illness.

4. (due to / as)

Her lateness was _____ a terrible traffic jam.

5. (since / owing to)

_____ flights are cheaper in the winter, we decided to travel then.

6. (as / because of)

_____ she hated cats, she wasn't happy when her husband bought three.

7. (owing to / as)

John didn't go to work _____ his illness.

8. (because / due to)

_____ Lucy was very tired, she went to bed early.

9. (because / owing to)

_____ his late night, John missed his train.

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10. (for / owing to)

Lucy was very unhappy, _____ she missed James.

11. (as / due to)

_____ the terrible weather, we decided not to walk home.

12. (as / owing to)

I was very happy with my present, _____ it was exactly what I wanted.

13. (due to / since)

Keiko ordered her meal without meat, _____ she is a vegetarian.

14. (because of / as)

I didn't want to leave _____ I was having a great time.

15. (owing to / since)

Luca bought the shoes _____ they were perfect.

16. (because of / because)

We were late for the plane _____ the traffic.

17. (for / as)

_____ it was really cold, I put on my gloves and my hat.

18. (due to / because)

She couldn't come _____ she had to work.

19. (owing to / because)

_____ its high price, we didn't rent the flat.

20. (because of / since)

_____ his great cooking, we love going to dinner at Taka's house.

Answers to Linking Words Exercise 2 (Reason)

1. We stayed inside **because of** the storm.
2. I wanted to stay longer **since** I was really enjoying the party.
3. Amanda stayed at home **due to** her illness.
4. Her lateness was **due to** a terrible traffic jam.
5. **Since** flights are cheaper in the winter, we decided to travel then.
6. **As** she hated cats, she wasn't happy when her husband bought three kittens.
7. John didn't go to work **owing to** his illness.
8. **Because** Lucy was very tired, she went to bed early.
9. **Owing to** his late night, John missed his train.
10. Lucy was very unhappy, **for** she missed James.
11. **Due to** the terrible weather, we decided not to walk home.
12. I was very happy with my present, **as** it was exactly what I wanted.
13. Keiko ordered her meal without meat, **since** she is a vegetarian.
14. I didn't want to leave **as** I was having a great time.
15. Luca bought the shoes **since** they were perfect.
16. We were late for the plane **because of** the traffic.
17. **As** it was really cold, I put on my gloves and my hat.
18. She couldn't come **because** she had to work.
19. **Owing to** its high price, we didn't rent the flat.
20. **Because of** his great cooking, we love going to dinner at Taka's house.