

## In-text Grammar

We can use the connective **'although'** to link two contrasting ideas. We can put it at the beginning or in the middle of a sentence.

**e.g.** **Although** the design is creative, it is too expensive.

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Note that it is wrong to use 'although' and 'but' in the same sentence.

**Ben is reading a biography of the Wright brothers.**

## The Wright Brothers

Wilbur Wright and Orville Wright had been very well read since childhood because their father always told them the importance of knowledge. He also encouraged them to discuss various issues.

In 1889, when they were 22 and 18 years old, they designed and built a printing press which published newspapers. Three years later, they opened a bicycle shop where they learnt their skills in design and engineering. At that time, people became interested in flight and started studying gliders. It was the time when the Wright brothers explored the possibility of mechanised flights.

Then they built the first aircraft with an engine after hundreds of attempts. Although their first recorded flight made on 17<sup>th</sup> December, 1903 flew for just 12 seconds, they made their mark in the aviation history. In the same decade, they set up an aeroplane factory and a flying school. They also improved their aircraft design, making an important contribution to the development of modern aeroplanes.

In 1912, Wilbur died and Orville sold the aeroplane business three years later. He then focused on aircraft design, which he was in fact more passionate about, until he died in 1948.



### Choose the best answers by blackening the circles.

1. Which is **TRUE** about the biography?

- A. The brothers did not enjoy reading when they were young.  
 B. The brothers ran a printing business in 1889.  
 C. The brothers were interested in mechanised flights in 1890s.  
 D. Orville Wright died in 1912.

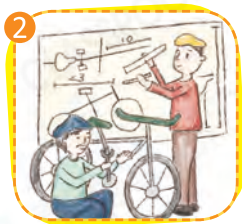
**Q1**

Read the options carefully and eliminate the wrong options one by one.

2. Orville Wright sold his aeroplane business in 1915 because \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. he no longer liked aeroplanes  
 B. his brother was dead  
 C. he was angry with his brother  
 D. he was not interested in doing business

3. What is the correct order of the following pictures?



- A. 4 → 2 → 1 → 3  
 C. 2 → 4 → 3 → 1

- B. 4 → 3 → 1 → 2  
 D. 2 → 1 → 4 → 3

**Q3**

Look at the pictures in detail.

### Fill in the blanks with the correct words.

**skill** 4. Who influenced the Wright brothers to read more and discuss issues?

\_\_\_\_\_ influenced them to read more and discuss issues.

5. What did the Wright brothers do after their first historical flight?

They \_\_\_\_\_  
 after their first historical flight.

### Fill in each blank with **ONE** word from the biography. Change the word form when necessary.

Inventors are those who dare to **6** \_\_\_\_\_ (v.) the unknown. None of the great inventors had lived an easy life before they succeeded. Behind every great invention is hundreds of **7** \_\_\_\_\_ (n.) and failure. We should respect and admire inventors.