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EVEN THOUGH IF SO WHEN

EVEN THOUGH (AUNQUE/ A PESAR DE QUE – OBWOHL / TROTZDEM)

Even though describes a **real situation** and is a more emphatic version of though and although.

- She told him **even though** I asked her not to.
- **Even though** I've cleaned it and polished it, it still doesn't look new.

EVEN IF (INCLUSO SI / SUPONIENDO QUE -- AUCH WENN/SELBST WENN)

Even if describes an **unreal situation** where we could substitute 'just supposing' for even if.

- **Even if** I had two hours to spare for shopping, I wouldn't go out and buy a suit.
- **Even if** you take a taxi, you'll still miss your train / **Even if** I knew it, I wouldn't tell you.

EVEN SO (AÚN ASÍ -- TROTZDEM, SELBST DANN)

Even so is a prepositional phrase that can be used in a similar fashion to **introduce a fact that is surprising** in the context of what has been said before. It connects ideas between clauses or sentences:

- I know her English isn't very good, but **even so** I can understand her.
- The evidence was only circumstantial. **Even so**, he was convicted and spent ten years in prison.
- I had a terrible headache, but **even so** I went to the concert.

EVEN WHEN (INCLUSO CUANDO -- SOGAR WENN)

Even when describes a **real situation** and can be used when **something is/was occasionally done**.

- Mike is never happy. **Even when** you do everything his way, he is still dissatisfied. (You sometimes try doing things his way, but he is still dissatisfied.)
- John used to be an engineer. He loved his job and would go to work even when he was sick. (John was sometimes sick and would go to work anyway.)

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1. Even _____ we won the war, we would probably suffer tremendous destruction.
2. Even _____ we lost tonight, guys, I'm proud of you all. You did your very best.
3. I know you have good vocabulary, but, even _____, you should use a dictionary.
4. This time she has kept her promises faithfully. Even _____, I don't really trust her.
5. Even _____ I was late for work, my boss wasn't angry.
6. Even _____ I win the lottery, I will still work doing something constructive and helpful to the economy.
7. I know you don't like vegetables, darling. Even _____, you must eat them.
8. He didn't recognize me even _____ I told him my first name.