

## Using 'and', 'but', 'with', 'after' and 'although'

Read the passage carefully. Fill in the blanks with the correct words in the box.

after

although

but

with

and

The Chingay procession is held annually to celebrate the Chinese New Year. (1) \_\_\_\_\_ it is held during the lunar new year, other races participate in the celebration too.

In 1990, the Chingay celebration was held for the first time. The stretch of Orchard Road was brightly lit and gaily decorated (2) \_\_\_\_\_ colourful red lanterns.

When I arrived at Orchard Road, both sides of the road were already lined with people. However, I managed to get a vantage point in front of Wisma Atria. Punctually, at seven o'clock, the Chinese acrobats performed their feats to the beats of the drums. This was followed by the traditional Chinese dance accompanied by Chinese music. The spectators were pleasantly surprised to see Indian (3) \_\_\_\_\_ Malay items in the celebration. There were traditional Indian and Malay dances. The celebration was truly a Singapore cultural mosaic. The spectators showed their appreciation (4) \_\_\_\_\_ each item with their warm and spontaneous applause.

When the crowd began to disperse after the final item, I lingered a while longer as I was still in a festive mood. Finally, I walked away from the place feeling tired (5) \_\_\_\_\_ happy, as I had thoroughly enjoyed the Chingay procession.

Answers  
1. Although

2. with

3. and

4. after

5. but