

Connectives 3

Read the article below. Fill in each blank with the appropriate connective word from the box. Each word in the box is used once.

however	and	because	as	but	nevertheless
consequently	because	so	also	and	therefore

The U.S. town of Concord in Massachusetts State has banned stores from selling water in bottles that are smaller than one litre. (1) _____, stores that sell the water will have to pay a \$50 fine. The new law is the result of a three-year campaign by local resident Jean Hill. Ms. Hill first told people about the idea at a meeting in 2010. She wants people to drink more tap water (2) _____ plastic bottles end up littering streets, rivers and the countryside. She said: "Bottled water is bad for the environment, our health, and our public water systems. Concord's decision to go bottled-water free is a great example of how communities can promote our most essential public service: the tap. (3) _____, I am extremely happy. (4) _____, there is still a lot of work to be done"

(5) _____, many people are unhappy with the new law, which started on New Year's Day. The bottled water industry said small bottles are very important for people's health. It said banning small bottles would mean people will drink more small bottles of colas and other soft drinks (6) _____ shops can still sell small bottles of other kinds of drinks. (7) _____, local stores (8) _____ restaurants say they will lose customers (9) _____ people will simply drive to nearby towns to buy small bottles of water. One local resident said the new law is dangerous to her health. Ann Davidson, 82, said tap water is bad for her health (10) _____ she has to buy water, (11) _____ 1.5 litre bottles are too heavy for her. People buy 50 billion small bottles of water each year in the USA (12) _____ sales are on the increase.