Fill in the gaps with because, because of, despite or however.

1. I am worried about the whole decision _________ your advice on how we can work it all out.
2. I am really tired, __________, I need to get this done before I can call it a day.
3. __________ your arrogance, we are all now in trouble.
4. __________ being the best man for the job, I will not be selected.
5. The company will not be making redundancies __________ our current losses.
6. I can tell you the meaning of the word if you like. __________, it might be a good idea to look it up so that you know how to use it.
7. He lost a days wages __________ his lack of productivity.
8. __________ hard you think you are studying, you can always do it more effectively.
9. He will not pass the exam, _________, he might be allowed to continue on the course.
10. You are all in this situation __________ me and my decisions.
Answers:

1. I am worried about the whole decision **despite** your advice on how we can work it all out.
2. I am really tired, **however**, I need to get this done before I can call it a day.
3. **Because of** your arrogance, we are all now in trouble.
4. **Despite** being the best man for the job, I will not be selected.
5. The company will not be making redundancies **despite** our current losses.
6. I can tell you the meaning of the word if you like. **However**, it might be a good idea to look it up so that you know how to use it.
7. He lost a days wages **because of** his lack of productivity.
8. **However** hard you think you are studying, you can always do it more effectively.
9. He will not pass the exam, **however**, he might be allowed to continue on the course.
10. You are all in this situation **because of** me and my decisions.