

Grammar exercises and contrasting

Use the expressions in the box to complete the sentences. In some cases there is more than one possible answer.

whereas	while	unlike	by contrast	on the contrary
both	however	but	similarly	also

1. The Islamic State does not encourage freedom of speech. _____, it has a council who is responsible for shaping the way people think and promoting an ideologically approved message to the rest of the world.
2. Portugal, _____ ISIS, is a democracy where people have freedom of speech.
3. The Portuguese State ministries are in charge of administering public services for the benefit of the general public. _____, the councils in ISIS are concerned with matters of war such as weapons sales or executions.
4. _____ the Portuguese government and ISIS have a head of State. In Portugal this position is held by the president _____ in ISIS it is held by the Caliph. The president, _____ the Caliph, is elected by the people.
5. In Portugal the Consultative Council is an independent body which can be consulted by the government on executive matters. _____, in ISIS, the Shura Council has an advisory capacity, _____ it rules on religious matters and ensures that the religious laws are being observed.
6. The Portuguese government has ministries to oversee public services. ISIS _____ has ministries; _____, they are called Councils rather than ministries.