# Make your essays stronger with the use of transition words to connect your ideas!

# <u>Transitions for Argumentative essays (claims and counterclaims):</u>

STEP ONE: Introduce the counterclaim

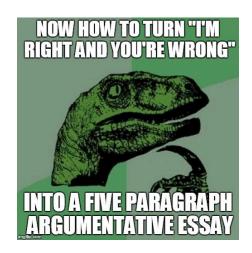
- Others may believe
- It has been said that
- The opposing view is
- Some may say that
- It may seem that
- While one could argue
- It may be true that

STEP TWO: Rebuttal (why it is wrong)

- Despite this information
- However
- Nevertheless
- Nonetheless
- Even so

STEP THREE: Restate your claim (at the end)

- As presented
- As explained
- As argued
- It is clear that



#### **Transitions to ADD information:**

furthermore further additionally also

in addition again as well equally important moreover and for instance similarly

#### Transitions to introduce evidence or outside research:

According to, (The author) claims Evidence shows

indicates

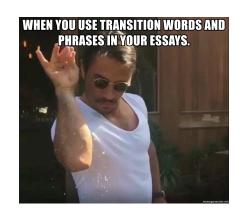
The study reveals

The work of (someone)

# **Transitions to show examples:**

For example, To illustrate, For instance, To clarify,

Together with,



### Transitions to show or change a line of reasoning:

clearly then furthemore additionally moreover

because besides that in the same way following this further

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However on the other hand but

nevertheless on the contrary conversely

In the light of....it is easy to see that

#### **Transitions to show cause and effect:**

therefore as a result consequently because of accordingly for this reason thus since

hence on account of given that



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# This list is in NO WAY conclusive. Check out these help sites for more information!

Using transitions from OWL Purdue

Using transitions from Monmouth University

The Writing Center at the University of Wisconsin

Writing a Good Transition Statement by Shmoop (YouTube video)

Transitions by Shmoop (YouTube Video)