

LINKING IDEAS USING WORDS, PHRASES AND CLAUSES

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To Show Order



after
at this time
before
during
finally
first
following
next

previously
second
since
soon
then
third
while

To Add Information



additionally
along with
also
another
as well
besides

finally
for example
for instance
furthermore
in addition
too

To Indicate a Purpose or Reason



so that
with this in mind
because

In fact
in order to
furthermore

To Give Examples



such as
for example
evidence of this

for instance
in this case
proof of this

To Compare



as
compared to
like
for the same reason

similar to
similarly

To Contrast



however
sometimes
on the other hand
nevertheless
in contrast

yet
except
but
in spite of
whereas

To Emphasize



absolutely
always
definitely
especially
without a doubt

in fact
never
particularly
positively

To Conclude



all in all
as a result
finally
in conclusion
in summary

in brief
lastly
overall
therefore
to sum up

Do

use transition words and phrases to connect ideas from one sentence to another, or from one paragraph to another.

Don't

repeat the same transition word or phrase too often.