

Linking Words - A complete list of Transition Words & Conjunctions also called Cohesive Devices - Connecting Words

Space / Location / Place

in the middle	here	further
to the left/right	there	beyond
in front of	next	nearly
on this side	where	wherever
in the distance	from	around
here and there	over	before
in the foreground	near	alongside
in the background	above	amid
in the center of	below	among
	down	beneath
adjacent to	up	beside
opposite to	under	behind
	between	across

Time / Chronology / Sequence

at the present time	after	henceforth
from time to time	later	whenever
sooner or later	last	eventually
at the same time	until	meanwhile
up to the present time	till	further
to begin with	since	during
in due time	then	first, second
until now	before	in time
as soon as	hence	prior to
as long as		forthwith
in the meantime	when	straightaway
in a moment	once	
without delay	about	by the time
in the first place	next	whenever
all of a sudden	now	
at this instant	now that	
immediately	formerly	instantly
quickly	suddenly	presently
finally	shortly	occasionally

Conclusion / Summary / Restatement

as can be seen	after all	overall
generally speaking	in fact	ordinarily
in the final analysis	in summary	usually
all things considered	in conclusion	by and large
as shown above	in short	to sum up
in the long run	in brief	on the whole
given these points	in essence	in any event
as has been noted	to summarize	in either case
in a word	on balance	all in all
for the most part	altogether	

Conjunctions

than	Comparison	That	Rel.Pro.	after	Time
rather than		what		as long as	
whether		whatever		as soon as	
as much as		which		before	
whereas		whichever		by the time	
				now that	
through	Concession	Who	Rel.Adj.	once	
although		whoever		since	
even though		whom		till	
while		whomever		until	
		whose		when	
if	Condition	where	Place	whenever	
only if		wherever		while	
unless					
until		how	Manner	because	Reason
provided that		as though		since	
assuming that		as if		so that	
even if				in order (that)	
in case (that)				why	
lest					

Correlative

as . . . as	either . . . or	what with . . . and
just as . . . so	neither . . . nor	whether . . . or
both . . . and		not only . . . but also
hardly . . . when		no sooner . . . than
scarcely . . . when		rather . . . than

Coordinating

F	A	N	B	O	Y	S
For	And	Nor	But	Or	Yet	So

**Transition Words and Phrases**

in the first place	again	moreover
not only ... but also	to	as well as
as a matter of fact	and	together with
in like manner	also	of course
in addition	then	likewise
coupled with	equally	comparatively
in the same fashion / way	identically	correspondingly
first, second, third	uniquely	similarly
in the light of	like	furthermore
not to mention	as	additionally
to say nothing of	too	
equally important		
by the same token		

**Examples / Support / Emphasis**

in other words	notably	in fact
to put it differently	including	in general
for one thing	like	in particular
as an illustration	to be sure	in detail
in this case	namely	to demonstrate
for this reason	chiefly	to emphasize
to put it another way	truly	to repeat
that is to say	indeed	to clarify
with attention to	certainly	to explain
by all means	surely	to enumerate
important to realize	markedly	such as
another key point	especially	for example
first thing to remember	specifically	for instance
most compelling evidence	expressively	to point out
must be remembered	surprisingly	with this in mind
point often overlooked	frequently	
on the negative side	significantly	
on the positives side		

**Effect / Result / Consequence**

as a result	for	consequently
under those circumstances	thus	therefore
in that case	because the	thereupon
for this reason	then	forthwith
henceforth	hence	accordingly

**Opposition / Limitation / Contradiction**

although this may be true	but	although
in contrast	(and) still	instead
different from	unlike	whereas
of course ..., but	or	despite
on the other hand	(and) yet	conversely
on the contrary	while	otherwise
at the same time	albeit	however
in spite of	besides	rather
even so / though	as much as	nevertheless
be that as it may	even though	nonetheless
then again		regardless
above all		notwithstanding
in reality		
after all		

**Cause / Condition / Purpose**

in the event that	if	in case
granted (that)	... then	provided that
as / so long as	unless	given that
on (the) condition (that)	when	only / even if
for the purpose of	whenever	so that
with this intention	since	so as to
with this in mind	while	owing to
in the hope that		due to
to the end that		
for fear that	because of	
in order to	as	
seeing / being that	since	
in view of	while	
	lest	