

Transition Words

Transition words are used to link words, phrases or sentences. Transition words also improve the connections between sentences and paragraphs.

Note that some of the words in the tables below belong to more than one category.

Comparative – Similar and Different

Similar Transition Words

in the first place in a like manner in addition coupled with in the same way equally important	also equally identically uniquely moreover as well as	together with likewise comparatively correspondingly similarly additionally
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Different Transition Words

in contrast different from on the other hand on the contrary at the same time	but unlike besides even though instead	despite conversely otherwise however nevertheless regardless
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Causation – Cause and Effect

Cause Transition Words

in the event that on the condition that in order to seeing/being that in view of	if . . . then unless whenever because of since	given that owing to due to
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Effect Transition Words

as a result of under those circumstances for this reason	because the . . . consequently in effect	therefore accordingly
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Continuity and Change over Time

Chronology Transition Words

at the present time at the same time in due time in the first place immediately finally presently	after later until before about formerly suddenly	whenever eventually meanwhile during prior to whenever occasionally
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In addition, below are two tables of transition words that help validate your sentences

Location Transition Words

in the middle/left/right in the distance in the foreground/background adjacent to opposite to	above below between alongside	among beside behind across
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Conclusion Transition Words

as can be seen in the final analysis given these points for the most part	in summary in conclusion to summarize altogether overall	in either case obviously ultimately definitely
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