

Transitional Devices

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Transitional Devices (Conjunctive Adverbs/Adverbial Conjunctions)	
Implication/Function:	Examples:
Comparison (how two or more ideas are similar)	<i>also, in the same way, likewise, similarly</i>
Concession (surrendering a point in an argument; admitting that it is true or correct)	<i>granted, naturally, of course</i>
Addition (adding information to an argument or point)	<i>again, also, and, besides, equally important, finally, first, further, furthermore, in addition, in the first place, last, moreover, next, second, still, too, additionally</i>
Contrast (how two or more ideas are different)	<i>although, and yet, at the same time, but at the same time, despite that, even so, even though, for all that, however, in contrast, in spite of, instead, nevertheless, notwithstanding, on the contrary, on the other hand, otherwise, regardless, still, though, yet</i>
Emphasis (giving prominence to something; stressing it)	<i>certainly, indeed, in fact, of course</i>
Example or Illustration (adding evidence to help support an argument or point)	<i>after all, as an illustration, even, for example, for instance, in conclusion, indeed, in fact, in other words, in short, it is true, of course, namely, specifically, that is, to illustrate, thus, truly</i>
Summary (briefly stating or restating the main points)	<i>all in all, altogether, as has been said, finally, in conclusion, in other words, in particular, in short, in simpler terms, in summary, on the whole, that is, therefore, to put it differently, to summarize</i>
Time Sequence (showing a progression of ideas or events over time)	<i>after a while, afterward, again, also, and then, as long as, at last, at length, at that time, before, besides, earlier, eventually, finally, formerly, further, furthermore, in addition, in the first place, in the past, last, lately, meanwhile, moreover, next, now, presently, second, shortly, simultaneously, since, so far, soon, still, subsequently, then, thereafter, too, until, until now, when</i>