

Linking words and phrases

Although some of these words have already been mentioned as sentence connectors, they can also be used to develop coherence within a paragraph, that is linking one idea / argument to another. Print off this page to keep as a reference of useful linking words and phrases.

Sequence

- First / firstly, second / secondly, third / thirdly etc
- Next, last, finally
- In addition, moreover
- Further / furthermore
- Another
- Also
- In conclusion
- To summarise

Result

- So
- As a result
- As a consequence (of)
- Therefore
- Thus
- Consequently
- Hence
- Due to

Emphasis

- Undoubtedly
- Indeed
- Obviously
- Generally
- Admittedly
- In fact
- Particularly / in particular
- Especially
- Clearly
- Importantly

Addition

- And
- In addition / additionally / an additional
- Furthermore
- Also
- Too
- As well as

Reason

- For
- Because
- Since
- As
- Because of

Example

- For example
- For instance
- That is (ie)
- Such as
- Including
- Namely

Contrast

- However
- Nevertheless
- Nonetheless
- Still
- Although / even though
- Though
- But
- Yet
- Despite / in spite of
- In contrast (to) / in comparison
- While
- Whereas
- On the other hand
- On the contrary

Comparison

- Similarly
- Likewise
- Also
- Like
- Just as
- Just like
- Similar to
- Same as
- Compare
- compare(d) to / with
- Not only...but also

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