Transitions

Transitions connect your sentences and paragraphs together and provide coherence to your writing. They help your reader understand the relationships between your ideas.

**To Enumerate (list ideas sequentially)**

First in the first place first of all to begin with finally

Second in the second place secondly next last

Third in the third place thirdly another

**To Give Examples**

Namely particularly incidentally indeed specifically for instance

In fact in other words for example in particular to illustrate that is

**To Add an Illustration of**

Again equally important moreover furthermore besides and then

Also further too and in addition likewise

**To Indicate Place**

Above adjacent to below elsewhere opposite to on the other side

Here farther on there near nearby to the left/right

Beside to the east/west/north/south

**To Compare**

Similarly in a like manner in the same way in like manner in a similar manner likewise

**To Indicate Time**

Afterward as long as as soon as after a while thereafter until

At length presently shortly simultaneously now until now

At last at that time since so far soon subsequently

When then before earlier formerly immediately

Lately in the meantime meanwhile in the past later after a short time

Recently temporarily

**To Contrast**  
  
 after all on the contrary however although but despite

Still on the other hand in spite of yet and yet nevertheless

Though notwithstanding otherwise regardless even though in contrast

But at the same time

**To Show Cause or Effect**

Then as a result because consequently hence for this purpose Since accordingly therefore thereupon thus to this end

**To Show Concession**

After all at the same time of course although true granted perhaps

And yet naturally

**To Conclude**

All in all altogether in brief in conclusion to conclude in particular

In short in summary that is on the whole to summarize