

## Transition Words and Phrases

Transition words and phrases help establish clear connections between ideas and ensure that sentences and paragraphs flow together smoothly, making them easier to read. Use the following words and phrases in the following circumstances.

### To indicate more information:

Besides  
Furthermore  
In addition  
Indeed  
In fact  
Moreover  
Second...Third..., etc.

### To indicate an example:

For example  
For instance  
In particular  
Particularly  
Specifically  
To demonstrate  
To illustrate

### To indicate a cause or reason:

As  
Because  
Because of  
Due to  
For  
For the reason that  
Since

### To indicate a result or an effect:

Accordingly  
Finally  
Consequently  
Hence  
So  
Therefore  
Thus

### To indicate a purpose or reason why:

For fear that  
In the hope that  
In order to  
So  
So that  
With this in mind

### To compare or contrast:

Although  
However  
In comparison  
In contrast  
Likewise  
On the other hand  
Similarly  
Yet

### To indicate a particular time frame or a shift from one time period to another:

After  
Before  
Currently  
During  
Eventually  
Finally  
First,...Second,..., etc.  
Immediately

Initially  
Lastly  
Later  
Meanwhile  
Next  
Previously  
Simultaneously  
Soon

### To summarize:

Briefly  
Overall  
Summing up  
To put it briefly  
To sum up  
To summarize

### To conclude:

Given these facts  
In conclusion  
So  
Therefore  
Thus  
To conclude