

Transitional Phrases

Transitions connect one idea with another. Depending on the surrounding information, a transitional phrase can make the reading more interesting and easy to follow.

Agree	Disagree	Order / Time
<p><u>To compare:</u> similarly, likewise, equally, just like/as, in the same way/manner, in comparison</p> <p><u>To give examples:</u> as proof, for example, for instance, in particular, specifically, to illustrate, namely, notably</p> <p><u>To add information:</u> additionally, also, furthermore, in addition, moreover, plus, beyond</p> <p><u>To emphasize:</u> foremost, most importantly, especially, indeed, in fact, truly, surely, certainly, as a matter of fact, above all, without a doubt, most of all, to emphasize, even, of course, truly, keep in mind</p> <p><u>To conclude:</u> to conclude, in summary, in brief, in other words, accordingly, clearly, in short, in effect, for that reason, obviously, stated briefly, of course, since, in closing, to reiterate, it has been stated, on the whole, after all, finally</p>	<p><u>To contrast:</u> otherwise, in contrast, on the other hand, instead, still whereas, despite, however, nevertheless, on the contrary, in spite of, yet, even though, although, though, whereas, besides, even so, conversely, neither ... nor, notwithstanding, be that as it may, albeit, admittedly, unlike</p>	<p><u>Order:</u> initially, first(ly), second(ly), third(ly), before, to begin with, at the same time, earlier, immediately, soon, as soon as, so gradually, meanwhile, while, simultaneously, eventually, later, afterward, as a result, subsequently, consequently, therefore, thus, hence, finally, lastly, at last</p> <p><u>Past:</u> up to now, so far, from then on, until then, thus far, in the past, formerly, previously</p> <p><u>Present:</u> now, nowadays, presently, at present, today, currently, recently</p> <p><u>Future:</u> in the future, next</p>