

Transition Words & Phrases



Writing

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Narrative Words & Phrases

In between the time

In the meantime

The following day

Sometime later

By (two o'clock)

In (the morning)

As soon as

In just (5 minutes)

Almost as quickly

When (we departed)

An hour later

Meanwhile

Immediately

Afterward

Hours went by

Right away

After that

At first

After (we left school)

Now

Soon

Just then

Just as

Later

Then

Before (he could)

Before (dark)

Just before (sunrise)

After a while

In the beginning

Little by little

While (we slept)

When (we left)

After (we ate)

At (breakfast)

Moments later

For a long time

In (the fall)

Late (in the night)

By the time

Before (bedtime)

On (Saturday)

During (recess)

While (shopping)

As (it stormed)

A short while later

That evening

At the same time

A short while later

On (New Year's Eve)

Quickly

Suddenly

The next day

That night

At dawn

A day later

Finally

Never

During the day

All of a sudden

It seemed like

Near the end



Words or Phrases to Show Time

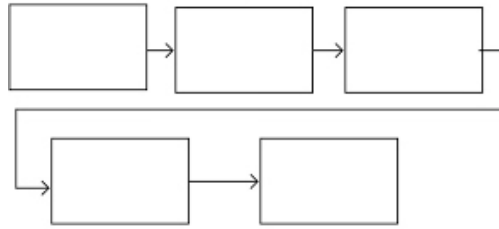
meanwhile
soon
then
after
second
later
next
tomorrow
afterward
today
as soon as
before
now
next week
about
when suddenly
during
until
yesterday
finally
at first
then finally
for years
after that
and then
beginning with
next came
this finally led to
immediately

Words OR Phrases to Show Location



above
across
around
behind
beside
between
in back of
in front of
inside
near
outside
over
under
by
throughout
below
down
to the right
to the left
against
beneath
onto
along
on top of
among
beyond
into
over

Words or Phrases to Help Sequence



first... second... third...

in the first place... also... lastly

after

afterwards

as soon as

at first

at last

before

before long

finally

in the meantime

later

meanwhile

next

soon

then

during

initially

not long after

primarily

soon after

subsequently

to begin with

while

from time to time

sooner or later

at the same time

in due time

until now

as soon as

in a moment

without delay

in the first place

all of a sudden

immediately

quickly

henceforth

eventually

further

in time

prior to

straightaway

instantly

occasionally

without delay

shortly

at the present time

formerly

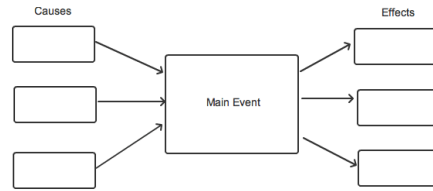
Words OR Phrases to Conclude a Piece of Writing



in conclusion
finally
lastly
to sum up
as can be seen
generally speaking
in the first analysis
all things considered
in the long run
given these points
as has been noted
as shown above
in a word
for the most part
after all
in fact
in summary
in conclusion

ordinarily
usually
by and large
to sum up
on the whole
in any event
in either case
all in all
on the whole
to conclude
as a result
therefore
altogether
overall
to summarize
in essence
in brief
in short

Words OR Phrases for Cause & Effect



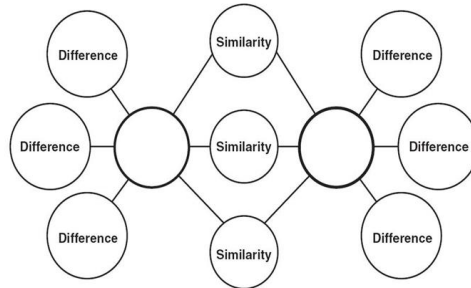
CAUSE

in the event that
granted (that)
as/so long as
on the condition (that)
for the purpose of
with this intention
with this in mind
in the hope that
to the end that
for fear that
in order to
in view of
if
unless
whenever
since
while
because of
provided that
given that
so that
in as much as
due to

EFFECT

as a result
under those circumstances
in that case
for this reason
henceforth
for
thus
because the
then
hence
consequently
therefore
thereupon
forthwith
accordingly
in order to
led to

Words or Phrases to Compare & Contrast



although
as opposed to
as well as
however
in contrast
in many ways
in opposition to
not only... but also
on the contrary
finally
similarly
unless
moreover

on one hand
on the other hand
it is true
but nevertheless
even though
likewise
while
in the same way
like
yet
but
still
otherwise

Words or Phrases to Provide Support or Give Examples

that is
for instance
in other words
for example
to put it differently
for one thing
as an illustration
in this case
for this reason
to put it another way
that is to say
with attention to
by all means
important to realize
another key point
expressively
in fact
in particular
to demonstrate
to repeat
to explain

first thing to remember
most compelling evidence
must be remembered
point often overlooked
to point out
on the positive/negative side
with this in mind
notably
including
namely
chiefly
certainly
surely
especially
specifically
significantly
in general
in detail
to emphasize
to clarify
to enumerate

