

Commonly Used Transitions

Transitions help the reader move from one idea to another.

TO SIGNAL SEQUENCE – again, also, and, and then, besides, finally, first ... second ... third, furthermore, last, moreover, next, still, too

TO SIGNAL TIME – after a few days, after a while, afterward, as long as, as soon as, at last, at that time, before, earlier, immediately, in the meantime, in the past, lately, later, meanwhile, now, presently, simultaneously, since, so far, soon, then, thereafter, until, when

TO SIGNAL COMPARISON – again, also, in the same way, likewise, once more, similarly

TO SIGNAL CONTRAST – although, but, despite, even though, however, in contrast, in spite of, instead, nevertheless, nonetheless, on the contrary, on the one hand, on the other hand, regardless, still, though, yet

TO SIGNAL EXAMPLES – after all, for example, for instance, indeed, in fact, of course, specifically, such as, the following example, to illustrate

TO SIGNAL CAUSE AND EFFECT – accordingly, as a result, because, consequently, for this purpose, hence, so, then, therefore, thereupon, thus, to this end

TO SIGNAL PLACE – above, adjacent to, below, beyond, closer to, elsewhere, far, farther on, here, near, nearby, opposite to, there, to the left, to the right

TO SIGNAL CONCESSION – although it is true that, granted that, I admit that, it may appear that, naturally, of course

TO SIGNAL SUMMARY, REPETITION, OR CONCLUSION – as a result, as has been noted, as I have said, as mentioned earlier, in any event, in conclusion, in other words, in short, on the whole, therefore, to summarize

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