

Commonly Used Transitions

CAUSE AND EFFECT

Accordingly
As a result
Consequently
Hence
It follows, then
Since
So
Then
Therefore
Thus

CONCLUSIONS

As a result
Consequently
Hence
In conclusion, then
In short
In sum, then
It follows, then
So
The upshot of all this is that
Therefore
Thus
To sum up
To summarize

COMPARISON

Along the same lines
In the same way
Likewise
Similarly

CONTRAST

Although
But
By contrast
Conversely
Despite the fact that
Even though
However
In contrast
Nevertheless
Nonetheless
On the contrary
On the other hand
Regardless
Whereas
While yet.

ADDITION

Also
And
Besides
Furthermore
In addition
In fact
Indeed
Moreover
So too

CONCESSION

Admittedly
Although it is true that
Granted
I concede that
Of course
Naturally
To be sure

EXAMPLE

After all
As an illustration
Consider
For example
For instance
Specifically
To take a case in point

ELABORATION

Actually
By extension
In short
That is
In other words
To put it another way
To put it bluntly
To put it succinctly
Ultimately

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