

Transitions and Linking Words

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To show location:

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

To show time:

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|---------|---------|------------|-------------|------------|
| about | first | meanwhile | soon | then |
| after | second | today | later | next |
| at | third | tomorrow | afterward | as soon as |
| before | till | next week | immediately | when |
| during | until | yesterday | finally | eventually |
| at once | at last | for a time | while | |

To compare, show similarities:

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| in the same way | likewise | as |
| similarly | like | also |

To contrast, show differences:

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| but | otherwise | although | on the other hand |
| however | yet | still | even though |
| nevertheless | whereas | conversely | in spite of |

To emphasize:

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| again | for this reason | truly |
| to repeat | to emphasize | in fact |

To conclude or summarize:

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| as a result | finally | in conclusion | to sum up |
| therefore | last | in summary | all in all |

To add information:

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| again | another | for instance | finally |
| also | and | moreover | as well |
| additionally | besides | next | along with |
| in addition | for example | likewise | equally important |

To clarify:

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| in other words | for instance | that is | put another way |
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To show cause and effect:

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| as a result | because | consequently | therefore | thus |
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To show importance or evaluation:

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| first | mainly | then |
| last | more important | to begin with |