## Linking Words

- **Agreement / Addition / Similarity**
  - in the first place
  - not only ... but also
  - as a matter of fact
  - in like manner
  - in addition
  - coupled with
  - in the same fashion / way
  - first, second, third
  - in the light of
  - not to mention
  - to say nothing of
  - equally important
  - by the same token

- **Examples / Support / Emphasis**
  - in other words
  - 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
  - first thing to remember
  - most compelling evidence
  - must be remembered
  - point often overlooked
  - on the negative side
  - on the positives ide

- **Transition Words and Phrases**
  - the same
  - moreover
  - as well as
  - together with
  - of course
  - likewise
  - comparatively
  - correspondingly
  - similarly
  - furthermore
  - additionally

- **Effect / Result / Consequence**
  - as a result
  - under those circumstances
  - in that case
  - for this reason
  - henceforth

- **Opposition / Limitation / Contradiction**
  - although this may be true
  - in contrast
  - different from
  - of course ..., but
  - on the other hand
  - on the contrary
  - at the same time
  - in spite of
  - even so / though
  - be that as it may
  - then again
  - above all
  - in reality
  - after all

- **Cause / Condition / Purpose**
  - 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
  - seeing / being that
  - in view of

- **Examples / Support / Emphasis**
  - in fact
  - in general
  - in particular
  - in detail
  - to demonstrate
  - to emphasize
  - to repeat
  - to clarify
  - to explain
  - to enumerate

- **Effect / Result / Consequence**
  - for
  - thus
  - because the
  - then
  - hence

- **Opposition / Limitation / Contradiction**
  - but
  - (and) still
  - unlike
  - or
  - (and) yet
  - while
  - albeit
  - besides
  - as much as
  - even though

- **Cause / Condition / Purpose**
  - in case
  - provided that
  - given that
  - only / even if
  - so that
  - whenever
  - since
  - while
  - because of
  - as
  - since
  - while

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**A complete list of Transition Words & Conjunctions also called Cohesive Devices – Connecting Words**

#### Space / Location / Place

- in the middle
- to the left/right
- in front of
- on this side
- in the distance
- here and there
- in the foreground
- in the background
- adjacent to
- opposite to
- up
- down
- in front of
- next
- near
- above
- below
- alongside
- amid
- among
- beneath
- behind
- across
- here
- there
- further
- beyond
- nearby
- wherever
- around
- before
- alongside
- amid
- among
- beneath
- behind

#### Time / Chronology / Sequence

- at the present time
- from time to time
- sooner or later
- at the same time
- up to the present time
- to begin with
- in due time
- until now
- as soon as
- as long as
- in the meantime
- in a moment
- without delay
- in the first place
- all of a sudden
- at this instant
- immediately
- quickly
- finally
- after
- later
- last
- until
- till
- since
- then
- before
- hence
- when
- once
- about
- next
- now
- now that
- further
- henceforth
- whenever
- eventually
- meanwhile
- during
- first, second
- in time
- prior to
- forthwith
- straightaway
- as can be seen
- generally speaking
- in the final analysis
- all things considered
- as shown above
- in the long run
- given these points
- as has been noted
- in a word
- for the most part
- after all
- in fact
- in summary
- in conclusion
- in short
- in brief
- in essence
- to summarize
- on balance
- altogether
- all in all
- after all
- ordinarily
- usually
- by and large
- to sum up
- on the whole
- in any event
- in either case

#### Conjunctions

- **Comparison**
  - than
  - rather than
  - as much as
  - whereas

- **Subordinating**
  - after
  - what
  - whenever

- **Concession**
  - though
  - although
  - even though
  - while
  - if
  - only if
  - unless
  - until
  - provided that
  - assuming that
  - even if
  - in case (that)
  - lest

- **Condition**
  - who
  - whoever
  - whom
  - whomever
  - whose
  - where
  - whenever
  - how
  - Manner
  - since
  - so that
  - in order (that)
  - why

- **Correlative**
  - as . . . as
  - just as . . . so
  - neither . . . nor
  - both . . . and
  - hardly . . . when
  - scarcely . . . when
  - either . . . or
  - what with . . . and
  - whether . . . or
  - not only . . . but also
  - if . . . then
  - not . . . but
  - rather . . . than

- **Coordinating**
  - For
  - And
  - Nor
  - But
  - Or
  - Yet
  - So

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