

Transition words and phrases

Transition words connect your sentences and paragraphs together. They help your ideas flow smoothly along. Also, they help your reader see how your ideas connect to each other.

To list ideas in sequential order:

*first *in the first place *first of all *to begin with
*second *in the second place *secondly *third
*in the third place *thirdly *another *finally *last

To give examples:

*namely *particularly *indeed *specifically *for instance
*in fact *in other words *for example *in particular
*to illustrate *that is

To add a detail of an example:

*again *equally important *moreover *furthermore
*besides *and then *also *further *too
*and *in addition *likewise

To show place:

*above *below *elsewhere *opposite to *here
*on the other side *farther on *there *near
*nearby *to the left/right *beside
*to the east/west/north/south

