

The transitions listed in the following table are grouped according to the categories of relationships they show.

TRANSITIONS

Adding	and, besides, in addition, also, too, moreover, further, furthermore, next, first, second, third, finally, last, again, and then, likewise, similarly
Comparing	similarly, likewise, in like manner, at the same time, in the same way
Contrasting	but, yet, however, still, nevertheless, on the other hand, on the contrary, in contrast, conversely, in another sense, instead, rather, notwithstanding, though, whereas, after all, although
Emphasizing	indeed, in fact, above all, add to this, and also, even more, in any event, in other words, that is, obviously
Ending	after all, finally, in sum, for these reasons
Giving examples	for example, for instance, to illustrate, that is, namely, specifically
Pointing to cause and effect, proof, conclusions	thus, therefore, consequently, because of this, hence, as a result, then, so, accordingly
Showing place or direction	over, above, inside, next to, underneath, to the left, to the right, just behind, beyond, in the distance
Showing time	meanwhile, soon, later, afterward, now, in the past, then, next, before, during, while, finally, after this, at last, since then, presently, temporarily, after a short time, at the same time, in the meantime
Summarizing	to sum up, in brief, on the whole, as has been noted, in conclusion, that is, finally, as has been said, in general, to recapitulate, to conclude, in other words

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And and But as Transitions

In this list you'll notice words such as *and* and *but*, which some people prefer not to use to begin sentences. Others think these are useful words to achieve variety and smooth transitions between sentences.

Although jet lag is a nuisance for travelers, it can be a disaster for flight crews. **But** flight crews can reduce the effects of jet lag by modifying their sleep patterns. **And** airlines are beginning to recognize the need for in-flight naps.