

LIST OF TRANSITIONAL WORDS FOR WRITING ESSAYS

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The following is a list of transition words to help students write more fluently and meaningful essays.

- I. Indicating similarity or addition: (26)
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| again | equally | in fact |
| also | equally important | in general |
| and | for | in the same fashion |
| another | for example | likewise |
| as | for instance | moreover |
| as if | further(more) | of course |
| as much as | in addition | similarly |
| as though | in addition to | too |
| besides | in a like manner | |
- II. Indicating dissimilarity, or contradiction (32)
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| although | even though | on the contrary |
| and yet | however | on the other hand |
| another | in comparison | otherwise |
| as if | in comparison to | still |
| away from | in place of | than |
| besides | in spite of | unfortunately |
| but | instead | unless |
| by comparison | less important | whereas |
| conversely | neither | while |
| differing from | nevertheless | yet |
| even if | notwithstanding | |
- III. Indicating cause, purpose, consequence, or result (21)
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| as | for this reason | provided that |
| accordingly | fortunately | since |
| as a result | hence | so |
| because | in any case | then |
| consequently | in fact | therefore |
| for | it began with | thus |
| finally | of course | unfortunately |
- IV. Indicating spatial order or reference (42)
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| above | behind | here |
| across | below | in a corner |
| across from | beneath | in back of |
| adjacent | beside | in front of |