**Transitional Words & Phrases**

**Using transitional words and phrases** helps writers write more smoothly, and at the same time allows the reader to flow more smoothly from one point to the next.

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| **Addition:** *When there is a trusting relationship*coupled with*positive reinforcement, the partners will be able to overcome difficult situations.***also, again, as well as, besides, coupled with, furthermore, in addition, likewise, moreover, similarly** |

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| **Consequence:** *Highway traffic came to a stop*as a result of*an accident that morning.***accordingly, as a result, consequently, for this reason, for this purpose, hence, otherwise, so then, subsequently, therefore, thus, thereupon, wherefore** |

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| **Contrast and Comparison:** *The children were very happy.*On the other hand*, and perhaps more importantly, their parents were very proactive in providing good care***contrast, by the same token, conversely, instead, likewise, on one hand, on the** **other hand, on the contrary, rather, similarly, yet, but, however, still, nevertheless, in contrast** |

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| **Direction:** *She scanned the horizon for any sign though*in the distance*she could not see the surprise coming her way.***here, there, over there, beyond, nearly, opposite, under, above,to the left, to the right, in the distance** |
| **Emphasis** *The Quakers gathered each month*with attention to*deciding the business of their Meeting* **above all, chiefly, with attention to, especially, particularly, singularly*.*** |

**Exemplifying:**

Exemplify *Some friends and I drove up the beautiful coast*chiefly*to avoid the heat island of the cit.*, **chiefly especially, for instance, in particular, markedly, namely,  particularly, including, specifically, such as**

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| **Exception:** *Consensus was arrived at by all of the members*exclusive of*those who could not vote.***aside from, barring, beside, except, excepting, excluding, exclusive of, other than, outside of, save** |

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| **Similarity:** *The research was presented in a very dry style though was*coupled with*examples that made the audience tear up.*comparatively, coupled with, correspondingly, identically, likewise, similar, moreover, together with |
| **Restatement:** *In their advertising business, saying things directly was not the rule.*That is to say*, they tried to convey the message subtly though with creativity*in essence, in other words, namely, that is, that is to say, in short, in brief, to put it differently |

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| **Sequence:** *The music had a very retro sound but*at the same time*incorporated a complex modern rhythm.***at first, first of all, to begin with, in the first place, at the same time,for now, for the time being, the next step, in time, in turn, later on,meanwhile, next, then, soon, the meantime, later, while, earlier,simultaneously, afterward, in conclusion, with this in mind,** |
| **Summarizing:** *She didn't seem willing to sell the car this week, but*in any case*I don't get paid until the end of the months***after all, all in all, all things considered, briefly, by and large, in any case, in any event, in brief, in conclusion, on the whole, in short, in summary, in the final analysis, in the long run, on balance, to sum up, to summarize, finally** |

**Now you try: Pick a word from the box to complete the sentence**

1. **Contrast: I wanted to try the fish \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, I chickened out and ordered the hamburger**
2. **Emphasis: The boys were in trouble for running in the hallway\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , one of them tripped and fell. I told them to be more careful**
3. **Summarizing: I believe that all students should wear uniforms,\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ it shows that they take pride in themselves.**
4. **Sequence: I was mad at my dog for running away\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ I was glad that she was back**
5. **Exemplify: I hate exercising \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ running because it hurts my knees**

**Open Ended Made Easier**

**R=** **Restate**- use the words from the question to start your answer

**S= Support from the text**

 In the story

 According to the story

 As the story states

 On page \_\_\_\_ in the story it says “\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_”

 In paragraph \_\_ on page \_\_\_ it says “\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_”

 In the story when

**S=support in your own words** (2 sentences: Remember, this is your chance to use your own words and thoughts to support your answer)

This means\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

This shows/demonstrates\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

 **E=Extend –Text to self, self to text, text to world**

 **Self:** Just like in the story or I can relate to this because

**Text:** Like in the story, (title)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

This reminds me of another story named\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

This story reminds me of a movie named

**World:** Just like in this story, throughout the world people…

Similar to this story

Sometimes in life