



Transition Words

Try using some of these cool transition words for switching between ideas and paragraphs.

Adding: and, besides, in addition, also, moreover, further, furthermore, next, first, second, third, finally, again.

Comparing: likewise, similarly, at the same time, in the same way.

Contrasting: but, yet, however, still, nevertheless, on the other hand, on the contrary, in contrast, instead, rather, though, whereas, after all, although.

Emphasizing: indeed, in fact, above all, 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: thus, therefore, consequently, because of this, hence, as proof, or conclusions a result, then, so, accordingly.

Showing place or direction: over, above, inside, next to, underneath, to the left, to the right, just behind, beyond.

Showing time: meanwhile, soon, later, afterward, now, in the past, then, next, before, during, while, finally, 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, in conclusion, that is, finally, in general, to conclude, in other words.

Transitioning between ideas:

John is very tall. However, he does not play basketball.

Transitioning between paragraphs:

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