

Transitional Words and Phrases¹

- **Addition:** also, again, as well as, besides, coupled with, furthermore, in addition, likewise, moreover, similarly

Orange juice can boost your immune system. *Furthermore*, it tastes good.

- **Consequence:** accordingly, as a result, consequently, for this reason, for this purpose, hence, otherwise, so then, subsequently, therefore, thus, thereupon, wherefore

In my city it can be dangerous to go out alone in the evenings. *For this reason*, the streets are quite empty at nights.

- **Contrast and Comparison:** 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

As a teacher I praise my students for their hard work. *By the same token*, I punish them for their bad behaviour.

- **Direction:** here, there, over there, beyond, nearly, opposite, under, above, to the left, to the right, in the distance

Mark was impressed by the art exhibition. The beautiful handmade items have gone *beyond* his imagination.

- **Emphasis:** above all, chiefly, with attention to, especially, particularly, singularly
Above all, we should improve the current regulations regarding health and safety of workers.

- **Exception:** aside from, barring, beside, except, excepting, excluding, exclusive of, other than, outside of, save

All the students have submitted their papers on time *exclusive of* those who were sick.

- **Exemplifying:** chiefly, especially, for instance, in particular, markedly, namely, particularly, including, specifically, such as

The teacher *chiefly* called her student's parents to let them know about the changes in the curriculum.

- **Generalizing:** as a rule, as usual, for the most part, generally, generally speaking, ordinarily, usually

Generally speaking, students largely improve their foreign language skills due to communication with native speakers.

- **Illustration:** for example, for instance, for one thing, as an illustration, illustrated with, as an example, in this case

¹ Study guides and strategies. Transitional words and phrases. Retrieved 08.15.13, from <http://www.studygs.net/wrtstr6.htm>

The pamphlet provided information about the company's activities, *illustrated with* photos of their successful products.

- **Similarity: comparatively, coupled with, correspondingly, identically, likewise, similar, moreover, together with**

John signed up for the Communications course during his vacation, and all his friends did *likewise*.

- **Restatement: in essence, in other words, namely, that is, that is to say, in short, in brief, to put it differently**

Some countries have a democratic system of governance. *That is to say*, the main decision making bodies are directly or indirectly elected by the people.

- **Sequence: 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,**

The next step of this experiment is to conduct a survey among the students.

- **Summarizing: 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**

On the whole, the level of human rights protection in this country remains very poor.