

TRANSITION WORD PRACTICE #1

NAME: _____

PART I: FINDING TRANSITIONS:

Directions: Read the following sentences carefully. Then, locate and circle or underline each transition word that compares or contrasts.

1. I was anxious to leave. However, we had to wait until Uncle Pete arrived.
2. Mother told us to hurry onto the bus. Otherwise, we all would have been caught in the rain.
3. I make my sandwich in the same way that Shawna does. We both use food that is peanut free because of our food allergies.
4. I asked about the homework, but neither Todd nor Antonio knew what had been assigned.
5. Even though it was very cold, Mary Beth did not wear a jacket.

B. Write one or more sentences using and circling at least one transition word that either compares or contrasts.

1. _____

2. _____

PART II: USING TRANSITIONS

Directions: Transition words have been left out of the following paragraph. Select appropriate words from the list below, and write them in the proper places. There can be more than one word that fits in some places. Select the one that you think fits best.

Meanwhile	As a result of	First	Once upon a time	While
Through	Next	Under	Beside	Then

(1) _____ there lived a family of bears in a lovely wooded area. Their home was (2) _____ some trees (3) _____ a small stream. One day (4) _____ the bears were not at home, a little girl came to the house. (5) _____, she knocked on the door. (6) _____, even though no one answered her knock, she entered the house. (7) _____, she ate some of _____ e bears' food, and she napped on one of their beds. (8) _____, the bears returned home. They were surprised to see their door open. Their roars woke up the girl, and she fearfully ran from the house. (9) _____ the woods, and

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back to her own home. (10) _____ her experiences, she never again went into the woods alone.

PART III: TRANSITION PURPOSE

Directions: Circle the correct answer to each question.

1. Which transition word shows location?
 - a. for example
 - b. below
 - c. then
2. Which transition word shows time?
 - a. between
 - b. in other words
 - c. later
3. Which transition word adds information?
 - a. in addition
 - b. over
 - c. earlier
4. Which transition word compares and contrasts?
 - a. earlier
 - b. besides
 - c. otherwise
5. Which transition word clarifies?
 - a. first
 - b. besides
 - c. in other words

PART IV: WRITING STATEMENTS USING TRANSITIONS

1. Write a statement. Then, write a statement that clarifies. (Ex: My brother runs fast. As a result, he won every race.)

2. Write a statement. Then, write a sentence beginning with "for example." (Ex: Sally is a helpful girl. For example, she helps her father prepare breakfast.)

3. Write a statement. Then write a statement that adds to your previous statement. (Ex: I'm addicted to watching *American Idol*. As well, I like to envision what song I'd sing as a contestant.)

4. Write a statement. Then write a statement that indicates a sequence. (Ex: I picked up the pen. Then, I wrote on the paper.)

LINKING WORDS

TRANSITION WORDS

Connect your ideas, phrases and sentences, and make your writing flow by using **Linking** or **Transition** words.

To **INTRODUCE** a Paragraph use

admittedly, assuredly, at this level, granted, generally speaking, in general, no doubt, nobody denies, obviously, to be sure, true, undoubtedly, unquestionably

To show **TIME** or **SEQUENCE** use

after, afterward, as soon as, at, at first, at last, at once, at the same time, before, before long, during, eventually, finally, first, immediately, in the end, in the first place, in the meantime, last, later, next, now, meanwhile, presently, second, soon, then, third, today, tomorrow, until, while, when suddenly, yesterday

To show **ADDITION** use

again, also, another, as well, at last, besides, finally, first, in addition, in conclusion, lastly, moreover, next, second

To show **CONTRAST**, **Change in Reasoning** use

after all, although, but, even though, however, nevertheless, notwithstanding, on the contrary, otherwise, still, yet

To **COMPARE** Similar Ideas use

also, and, in addition, in like manner, in the same way, likewise, moreover, on the other hand, similarly, while

To show **LOCATION** use

above, across, adjacent to, against, among, around, at the same place, behind, below, beneath, beside, beyond, by, down, in back of, in front of, in the distance, inside, into, near, off, onto, on top of, opposite to, outside, over, throughout, to the right, straight ahead, under

To **CONCLUDE** use

as a result, all in all, because, finally, indeed, hence, in brief, in final analysis, in final consideration, in the end, for this reason, to sum up, on the whole, in conclusion, lastly, on the whole, this, therefore, thus, so, to sum up, as a final note

To show **EXAMPLE** use

for example, for instance, in this manner, thus

To show **RESULT** use

accordingly, consequently, hence, therefore, thereupon, thus, wherefore

To **RESTATE** a point use

in other words, point in fact, specifically

To **CONTINUE** a Line of Reasoning use

and, additionally, also, because, clearly, consequently, besides that, in addition, in the same way, in the light of... it is easy to see... it is obvious, following this further, furthermore, moreover, pursuing this further, then

To **EMPHASIZE** a point use

again, especially, for this reason, in fact, to emphasize, to repeat, truly

How to Write an Opinion Piece

Template

INTRODUCTION

State the problem and your point of view (opinion):

When I compare the Super hero's, Batman, Spiderman and Hancock, I think Hancock is the superior Super hero.

BODY

<p>Point 1</p> <p>His strength is stronger.</p>	<p>Evidence</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> landed - demolished buildings
<p>Point 2</p> <p>He has the ability to heal himself.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Batman is human and so is Spiderman. When they get hurt, they get hurt.
<p>Point 3</p> <p>He is immortal and therefore his durability is much higher.</p>	<p>Batman + Spiderman can be killed.</p>

CONCLUSION

Restate your topic sentence another way:

In the areas of strength, healing and immortality, Hancock is the better super hero.

Call to Action.

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