Transition Words and Phrases

Transition words and phrases help establish clear connections between ideas and ensure that sentences and paragraphs flow together smoothly, making them easier to read. Use the following words and phrases in the following circumstances.

To indicate more information: To indicate an example:

Besides For example
Furthermore For instance
In addition In particular
Indeed Particularly
In fact Specifically
Moreover To demonstrate
Second...Third..., etc. To illustrate

To indicate a cause or reason: To indicate a result or an effect:

As Accordingly
Because Finally
Because of Consequently
Due to Hence
For So
For the reason that Therefore
Since Thus

To indicate a purpose or reason why: To compare or contrast:

For fear that
In the hope that
However
In order to
In comparison
So
In contrast
Likewise
With this in mind
Nevertheless
On the other hand
Similarly

Similarly Whereas Yet