


ACADEMIC CONNECTIVES

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|  ADDING Add information or ideas. | and, also, as well as, furthermore, moreover, in addition, additionally | The author uses imagery effectively, and it reinforces the central theme. |
|  SEQUENCING Show order or sequence. | firstly, secondly, thirdly, next, then, subsequently, finally, in the end | Firstly, the argument is introduced; then the evidence is presented; finally, the conclusion is drawn. |
|  CONTRASTING Show difference or opposition. | however, although, even though, despite, in contrast, on the other hand, nevertheless, while | The evidence seems strong; however , the conclusion is less convincing. |
|  CAUSE AND EFFECT Show cause or result. | because, since, as, therefore, thus, consequently, as a result, for this reason, due to, leads to | The character's decision was impulsive; therefore , the outcome was inevitable. |
|  EXEMPLIFYING Introduce an example. | for example, for instance, such as, namely, in particular, to illustrate | The author uses various techniques, for example , symbolism and juxtaposition. |
|  QUALIFYING Add a limitation or condition. | however, although, unless, except, apart from, provided that, assuming that, insofar as | The argument is compelling, unless we consider the historical context. |
|  EMPHASISING Highlight importance or certainty. | indeed, clearly, notably, significantly, importantly, in particular, crucially, undoubtedly | The change is clearly a turning point in the novel. |
|  SUMMARISING Conclude or restate the main points. | in conclusion, to conclude, in summary, overall, on the whole, in brief, to sum up | In summary , the evidence supports the view that... |



HOW TO USE

- Choose connectives that match the relationship between your ideas.
- Use a variety of connectives to improve flow and sophistication.
- Place connectives accurately for clear and coherent writing.