

Discourse Markers

Adding surprising additional information or arguments	as a matter of fact in fact
Balancing contrasting ideas	whereas on the other hand
Changing the subject	by the way incidentally
To change the direction of a conversation	talking of
To introduce the most important point	basically
To introduce a fact that is very clear to understand	obviously of course
To say something again in another way	In other words
Making something clear or give more details	I mean
Introduce an argument that the other person may not have thought of	after all
To introduce a positive point after negative information	at least
To introduce the idea that what you said before is less important than what you are about to say now	anyway in any case besides
To make a seemingly true statement	apparently supposedly
To generalize	On the whole
To say what the result would be if something did not happen or if the situation were different	otherwise

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