

Transitions

Transition words introduce and link ideas together in a story so that they flow smoothly. Sequencing words are also used to show transitions. Review the list of time order words from the previous lesson. Here's a list of some commonly used transitional words and phrases.

To show time	To add information	To conclude
First,	In addition,	Finally,
Meanwhile,	Next,	Therefore,
During,	Most importantly,	To sum it up,
Before,	One reason,	All in all,
Next week,	For example,	In conclusion,
Until,	In fact,	As you can see,
Then,	In other words,	Lastly,

Read each sentence. Circle the transitional word or phrase.

Example: Finally the pain in my knee subsided.

- 1. Lastly, the teacher told me where I needed to sit.
- 2. We played together as a team. As a result, we came first place.
- 3. After that, I walked home with my head held high.
- 4. To conclude, we sailed off into the beautiful sunset.
- 5. Next, we will need to paint inside the house.
- 6. Tonight we will go fishing instead.
- 7. To sum it up, the play was very exciting.
- 8. In conclusion, I appreciate your hard work.

