

COHESIVE DEVICES AND LINKING WORDS FINAL EXAM

Cohesive devices connect ideas and make a text easier to follow. They show relationships such as addition, contrast, cause, result, example, and sequence.

ADDITION: and, also, in addition, moreover, furthermore.

- The job is flexible. In addition, it is well paid.

CONTRAST: but, however, although, even though, while, whereas, on the other hand.

- Although remote work is convenient, it is not suitable for everyone.
- It is convenient. However, it can be difficult.

Remember: although + clause; however normally introduces a new sentence.

CAUSE: because, since, as, because of, due to.

- Employees work from home because they want more flexibility.
- The event was postponed because of heavy rain.

Remember: because + subject + verb; because of/due to + noun phrase.

RESULT: so, therefore, as a result, consequently.

- The roads were closed, so we stayed home.
- The company reduced costs. Therefore, it hired more employees.

EXAMPLES: for example, for instance, such as.

- Some jobs, such as design, can be done remotely.

SEQUENCE: first, then, next, finally, in conclusion.

- First, we identify the problem. Then, we discuss solutions.

EASY RULE

ADD → in addition / moreover

CONTRAST → however / although

CAUSE → because / because of

RESULT → therefore / as a result

EXAMPLE → for example / such as

SEQUENCE → first / then / finally

Exercise 1 – Choose the Correct Linking Word

1. The job is interesting. _____, it is demanding. a) Therefore b) However c) For example
2. She works from home _____ she has a long commute. a) because b) because of c) however
3. The company offers flexible hours. _____, employees are more satisfied. a) As a result b) Although c) Whereas
4. Many jobs can be done online. _____, graphic design is suitable for remote work. a) For example b) Therefore c) However

Exercise 2 – Complete the Text

Use: however – in addition – because – as a result – for example – finally

Working from home has become popular. First, it can save employees time _____ they do not need to commute. _____, workers may have more control over their schedules. There are some disadvantages, _____. _____, some people may feel isolated. _____, companies should create opportunities for employees to communicate. _____, a combination of remote and office work may be the best solution.

Exercise 3 – Combine the Ideas

1. The company offers flexible hours. Employees are happier. (therefore)
→ _____
2. She enjoys working from home. She misses her colleagues. (however)
→ _____
3. Many employees use video calls. They want to communicate with their teams. (because)
→ _____
4. Remote work can reduce commuting. It can also reduce pollution. (in addition)
→ _____
5. Some jobs can be done remotely. Customer service is one example. (for example)
→ _____