

## LINKING WORDS

### I. Drag the words in the box under the right heading.

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| <b>And</b>         | <b>On the other hand</b> | <b>Like</b>                  |
| <b>Also</b>        | <b>However</b>           | <b>Equally</b>               |
| <b>In addition</b> | <b>Although</b>          | <b>E.G.</b>                  |
| <b>Besides</b>     | <b>In contrast</b>       | <b>Because</b>               |
| <b>But</b>         | <b>Similarly</b>         | <b>Due to</b>                |
| <b>For example</b> | <b>Such as</b>           | <b>Since</b>                 |
| <b>That is why</b> | <b>In a similar way</b>  | <b>Not only ... but also</b> |

| To add information | To show contrast | To show similarity | To give examples | To express reason |
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### II. Complete the following sentences with a linking word.

1. He didn't go out \_\_\_\_\_ the rain.
2. I failed the test \_\_\_\_\_ I studied a lot.
3. We played better. \_\_\_\_\_, we lost the match.
4. They couldn't drive home \_\_\_\_\_ the road was icy.
5. The film was too boring. \_\_\_\_\_, it was too long.
6. Water birds \_\_\_\_\_ ducks or gulls are common in the area.
7. \_\_\_\_\_ the Mayas, the Aztecs had their own religious rituals.

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III. Complete the sentences by writing on the lines the linking words that are in the boxes.

but also – not only – besides – as well as

Veganism is a type of vegetarian diet. A vegan diet includes fruits and vegetables 8. \_\_\_\_\_ legumes and cereals. Vegans care about animal rights, human health and the environment, so they exclude 9. \_\_\_\_\_ meat, fish and poultry 10. \_\_\_\_\_ eggs and dairy products. 11. \_\_\_\_\_ they avoid using products tested on animals or derived from animals, such as fur, wool and leather.

however – on the other hand - although

Vitamins are essential to have a good health. 12. \_\_\_\_\_ they are complex chemical substances, we know the composition of most of them. Water-soluble vitamins dissolve in water and are not stored in the body. 13. \_\_\_\_\_, fat-soluble vitamins dissolve in fat and are stored in body fat. Low levels of certain vitamins may cause some diseases. 14. \_\_\_\_\_, an overdose of some vitamins can also affect health. Eating a balanced diet with a variety of food is the best way to get enough vitamins.

so – consequently – since – as a result

15. \_\_\_\_\_ people move from one place to another, diseases can spread more easily. People may bring viruses and germs and 16. \_\_\_\_\_, they can cause new diseases that were not present before. People may not have any natural protection against them, 17. \_\_\_\_\_ they will become ill more easily and die. In turn, tourists can catch a disease when they are travelling and 18. \_\_\_\_\_, they may start an epidemic in their countries too.

such as – for instance

Information in your brain passes through neurotransmitters, which are manufactured by the nerve cells using precursors. Different neurotransmitters will have different impacts on your brain activity. 19. \_\_\_\_\_, serotonin is the calming neurotransmitter that usually makes you more relaxed. Neurotransmitters, 20. \_\_\_\_\_ dopamine and norepinephrine, make you more alert, more attentive, motivated and mentally energetic.

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IV. Look at the words you wrote in the previous sentences. Write on the lines the one(s) that we use ...

21. to express reason and result? \_\_\_\_\_

22. to contrast two facts or opinions? \_\_\_\_\_

23. to introduce some extra information? \_\_\_\_\_

24. to introduce examples? \_\_\_\_\_



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