

3rd Year English Language

Term 3 Revision

Transition Terms Exercise

Read the paragraphs below carefully.

Try to use transition terms from the boxes to fill in the blanks in each paragraph. Use

ONE box per paragraph.

Be sure to CAPITALISE the first letter of a transition term where appropriate.

(12 MARKS)

consequently	for instance	however	furthermore
particularly	likewise	nonetheless	moreover

Most habitable places on Earth have at least one species of snake. _____, the rich, green land of Ireland is one place where ophidiophobes—those who have an excessive fear of snakes—can rest easy, for Ireland has no snakes. The most recent ice age, which ended about ten thousand years ago, made many places in the world too cold for reptiles like snakes to survive. _____, snakes survived the period by migrating to warmer climates. Once the ice age ended, snakes were able to return to many of those original locations. But why not Ireland? Due to melting glaciers, Ireland's land link to mainland Britain and the rest of Europe was cut off thousands of years prior to the end of the most recent ice age. _____, snakes were blocked from migrating to Ireland by the newly formed seas that surrounded it. As a large island cut off from other land masses, Ireland has maintained its snake-free status for thousands of years. _____, the large islands of Antarctica, Iceland, Greenland, and New Zealand are also without any wild snakes.

otherwise	subsequently	in fact	earlier
furthermore	identically	for this purpose	in contrast

Mount St. Helens, part of a line of snow-covered volcanic mountain peaks in the Pacific Northwest called the Cascade Volcanoes, was the site of a catastrophic eruption that occurred in 1980. The mountain showed activity for two months leading up to the fateful day it roared to life. _____, after rumbling for nearly two months, the morning of May 18, 1980, seemed quiet and tranquil. _____, it seemed as if the mountain had become dormant again. But at 8:32 a.m., a 5.1 magnitude earthquake beneath Mount St. Helens triggered a massive landslide that collapsed the summit in an avalanche of debris and mudflows. _____, hot ash, rocks, steam, and gases exploded from the

volcano's newly exposed interior. The massive eruption spewed ash over hundreds of miles; destroyed homes, roads, and forests; and cost fifty-seven people their lives. _____, it altered the landscape forever, cutting the peak down by about 1,300 feet and leaving an enormous, horseshoe-shaped crater on the volcano's north side.

again	in other words	similarly	after all
moreover	instead	of course	in that

We cannot achieve long-term energy independence by simply extracting and refining greater amounts of limited, non-renewable resources from the earth, even from our own nation's lands. _____, we must focus on developing renewable energy sources that will not run out or cause harm to the environment. _____, that does not mean that we can immediately shut down all production of nonrenewable fossil fuels on which we currently rely. _____, we must continue to meet the nation's current and ever-growing energy needs; without fossil fuels, this cannot currently be done. _____, achieving energy independence will require a gradual transition to renewable energy, rather than a sudden, drastic switchover.