

LINKING WORDS AND PHRASES

Emphasis	Addition	Contrast	Order	Result	Illustration
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Undoubtedly • Without a doubt • Indeed • Obviously • Particularly • In particular • Absolutely • Definitely • Subject-verb inversion • Do/does/did 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Additionally • In addition • In addition to s.th • What's more • And another thing • Furthermore • Moreover • Besides • Apart / aside from • Beyond that • Not only ...but also 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unlike • On the other hand • In contrast to • By contrast • Whereas • Conversely • On the contrary • Contrary to • Opposed to • Rather than/ other than/as opposed to 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • First/Firstly / At first • To begin with • First of all/first and foremost / At last • Finally/eventually • At this time • Previously/ in the past/in the old days • After that/afterwards • Last but not least 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As a result • As a result of • As a consequence • As a consequence of • Therefore • Thus • Consequently • Hence • For this reason 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For example • For instance • Such as / like • Namely / that is to say • In this case • To help us understand more clearly about • Without a doubt, • It is without a doubt that

Expressing one's opinions	Condition	Comparison	Summarizing	Generalization	Concession
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To be honest, • Frankly speaking • As far as I'm concerned • In my opinion, • As for me, • To me, I think that • Personally speaking, I think that • If I am not mistaken, • If I am not confused • Based on my personal understanding, I think that, • From my perspective, I think that, 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If • Unless • In the event of s.th • Providing that • Provided that • On the condition that • In case • As long as 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Similarly • In a similar way • The same as true • In the same way • Like • Unlike • In comparison to • Compared to/with • Not so different, ... 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In conclusion • To conclude • To sum up • To summarize • Altogether • In short • In summary • In brief • Briefly • To cut the long story short • In a nutshell 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In general • Generally • Here and there • By and large 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • (Even) though/Although • However • Nonetheless • Nevertheless • Despite s.th • In spite of s.th
				Expressing Gratitude or thanks to somebody <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thank you • I really appreciate that • That's very kind of you • I owe you one. • I return your favor next time • I really thank you for ... 	Reacting to someone's expression of gratitude <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • You're welcome • Don't mention it • Not at all • No worry • No problem • It's my pleasure. • That's okay.