TRANSITION WORDS B1/B2

Connectors	Examples
Contrast or opposing ideas Although/ though/ even though Whereas/while However, nevertheless, but, yet On the one hand…on the other (hand)	 Although he is old, he is very attractive. He is old, whereas Paul is young. The shopping centre is small; however, I usually find everything. Maria felt ill, but /yet she went to school anyway. On the one hand, the book is amusing. On the other hand, it's rather long.
Reason, cause and effect Because, since, as	We arrived late because the bus broke down.
Purpose To/ in order to/ so as to So that / in order that + (modal verb)	We will work tonight in order to finish it on time. Anna stopped eating sweets so that she could lose some weight.
Time and sequence When, while, whenever First of all, firstly, to begin with, secondly… And, then, after that, later, next As soon as Soon, suddenly, immediately Eventually, finally, in the end, at last	 Whenever I go shopping, I buy sweets. To begin with, I am very disappointed for what you said. I did shopping and after that I went home. As soon as we arrive, we will have some lunch.
Result and consequence Therefore, thus (less formal), for that reason	 She studied hard. Therefore, she passed the exam.
Adding Moreover/furthermore (formal) What's more/ besides Also/ too/ as well (as) Apart from, except for	 I am too busy to take a holiday. Moreover, I don't have the money. Please bring some drinks as well as snacks. She plays tennis and she also plays basketball. Apart from English, she speaks three other foreign languages. He eats nothing except for bread and fish.
Giving examples For example For instance Such as ,like	 I like all kinds of fruit; for example, melons, oranges and pineapples. Singers such as Michael Jackson and Madonna are popular throughout the world.
Concluding In conclusion/ on the whole In short To sum up	 In conclusion, it is important to teach young people about the dangers of alcohol.
Giving your opinion (Personally), I think that In my opinion, from my point of view/ my view is that As I see it,	 In my opinion, you should buy a new car, this one is too old.

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CHOOSE THE CORRECT ANSWER

1. Karen is rich; ____, her cousin Kate is poor.
   a) therefore b) however c) moreover

2. I enjoy reading this new magazine._____, it has good articles.
   a) Moreover b) Nevertheless c) However

3. Jack wasn't tired.____, he took a nap.
   a) therefore b) while c) nevertheless

4. The witch wanted Hansel and Gretel to get fat_____sh could eat them..
   a) in order to b) so that c) when

5. _____the washing machine broke down; we washed the clothes by hand.
   a) Although b) As c) Thus

6. _____Mary, no one from our class turned up at the meeting.
   a) Moreover b) Whereas c) Apart from

7. We read all the reports_____ we could decide what to do.
   a) in order to b) because c) so that

8. She went to her travel agent before she went abroad____be sure she had all the necessary information.
   a) so as to b) so that c) in order that

9. _____there are laws against pollution, cars and factories continue to pollute the air.
   a) However b) Although c) Therefore

10. I can't speak Japanese._____, I managed on my trip to Tokyo.
    a) Nevertheless b) Whereas c) Even though

11. Some pupils don't mind taking tests, ____ others get quite nervous.
    a) whereas b) therefore c) even though

12. Some opera singers, _____Pavarotti and Domingo, are well known even for people who don't go to the opera.
    a) besides b) as well as c) such as

13. All the students enjoyed the mountain climb_____Brian, who fell and injured his ankle.
    a) except for b) furthermore c) such as

14. What other languages do you speak _____English and Spanish?
    a) apart from b) for example c) such as

15. Spain exports olives and wine_____ cars.
    a) as well as b) too c) as well

16. Some soap operas, _____ the ones from South America, are popular with English speakers_____Spanish speakers.
    a) moreover, also b) moreover, as well as c) such as, as well as

17. She didn't study English. _____, she couldn't pass her exams.
    a) Therefore b) Although c) However

18. We live in the same building; _____, we hardly ever see each other.
    a) However b) Therefore c) Furthermore

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