Transition Words and Phrases

To indicate a time relationship	After, afterward, after that, at first, at this time, before, beginning with, beyond, during, earlier, ending with, eventually, finally, following, from then on, in the meantime, last, later, meanwhile, next, now, since, soon, then, until, while
To indicate spatial placement	Below, beside, between, beyond, farther on, here, next to, parallel with
To list of present a series of ideas	After, after that, finally, first, lastly, next, second, third
To add information or continue a line of thought	Also, another, besides, further, furthermore, in addition, likewise, moreover, similarly
To summarize or show	Accordingly, finally, in conclusion, in other words, in
conclusion	short, to conclude, to sum up, to summarize
To show comparison	By comparison, compared to, in like manner, likewise, similarly
To show contrast	Although, but, however, in contrast, nevertheless, on the contrary, on the other hand, unlike
To repeat information or stress a point	Above all, in fact, in other words, most important, once again, to repeat
To prove an example or illustrate a point	For example, for instance, such as, to illustrate, that is
To show cause and effect	As a result, because, because of, caused by, consequently, for that reason, that is why, therefore, thus
To state the obvious	Certainly, granted that, in fact, most certainly, naturally, obviously, of course, surely, undoubtedly, without a doubt