

## Transitional Phrases

Transitional phrases add flow and sophistication to writing; while using these phrases, be sure to use commas appropriately

### To add a thought

Also,

Likewise,

Similarly,

Furthermore,

In addition,

Moreover,

AVOID the following phrases - First, second, last...*overused*

### To change direction

, but

However,

, yet

On the contrary,

Nevertheless,

Although I had the money, \_\_\_\_\_. Although Sally seemed sincere, \_\_\_\_\_.

On the other hand,

Conversely,

By contrast,

To give an example (after you've made a strong statement)

For example,

For instance,

To illustrate,

This is apparent when...

This is evident as...

AVOID the following phrase - This quotation proves that...

### To conclude

As a result,

Thus,

For these reasons,

Therefore,

Consequently,

In summary,

AVOID the following phrases - In conclusion, all in all, finally, overall...*boring*