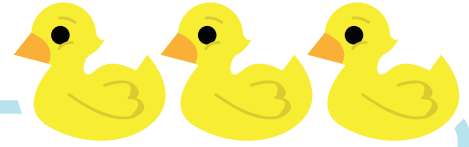


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## Narrative Transition Words & Phrases



**Directions:** Read the paragraph and answer the questions below.

One spring morning a duck built a warm nest to sit on her four eggs. Strangely, one of the eggs was much larger than the rest. To her excitement, the eggs started to crack. One, two, three eggs popped open, and three little ducklings poked their heads into the world. \_\_\_\_\_ **1** \_\_\_\_\_, the biggest egg began to crack, as well. To the mother's surprise, a big, gray duckling stumbled out of the egg! Although he was different, and not as cute as the other ducklings, she loved him nonetheless.

\_\_\_\_\_ **2** \_\_\_\_\_, the duck introduced her family to the other animals on the farm. Seeing the strange gray duckling, the pig, mallard, and mouse all burst out laughing. The poor duckling bowed his head in shame \_\_\_\_\_ **3** \_\_\_\_\_ he felt like he didn't belong. That night, as his family slept near the barn, the gray duckling decided to leave to find friends that liked him for who he was. Before long, he ran into a kind old woman. She invited him into her home and treated him like family. Over time, the little gray duckling began to grow. Although he was happy, he always felt something was missing. \_\_\_\_\_ **4** \_\_\_\_\_, as he stared out on the pond, he saw a family of beautiful swans swimming in the distance. He wanted to go swimming with them. \_\_\_\_\_ **5** \_\_\_\_\_ he approached the pond, he saw his reflection for the first time. The ugly duckling had grown into a beautiful swan! \_\_\_\_\_ **6** \_\_\_\_\_, the little gray duckling had found himself.

1) Which word fits best at #1? A) Because B) Meanwhile C) First	2) Which word fits best at #2? A) The next day B) Because C) Next	3) Which word fits best at #3? A) next B) finally C) because
4) Which word fits best at #4? A) One day B) Because C) While	5) Which word fits best at #5? A) Next B) As C) Meanwhile	6) Which word fits best at #6? A) Because B) First C) Finally

