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Transition Word Hunt

Transition words help you move smoothly from one idea to the next. It's like taking the reader by the hand and showing them how the main ideas and details fit together and how they support your larger thesis, or statement.

Find a nonfiction text to use as a reference. Go through the text and find sentences that start with transition words. Think about how it is used and write it, and a few words that come after it, in the correct section below. Underline the transition words. Use the examples to get you started.

Words that show time or order	Next, she went to college and began to send money home to her family. In 2007, she went on to visit the United States. First, she set her sights on
Others: Last After two weeks	
Words used to compare/contrast	Similarly, the Western Bank returned Nevertheless, the temperature is still increasing.
Others: However Conversely Alternatively	
Words to add ideas	Also, she wrote a letter to the embassy to get her visa. In addition, there were several other legal hurdles to jump.
Others: Furthermore Also	

Words that show something is rare or common	Seldom, there is a glitch in the system that allows a traveler to enter the country without documentation.
Others: Frequently	
Words that help you give examples	For example, you might apply for a job and then reach out to the people who work there.
Others: Specifically For instance	
Words that help show strong evidence	The first trip she took shows that she had courage from the within.
Others:illustrates that demonstrates that emphasizes that	