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# Writer's wordbank

Use a wider variety of connectives to help link your ideas, sentences and paragraphs to give extra and different information. You will present ideas more clearly if you can use **emphasising**, **comparing**, **illustrating**, **contrasting** and **qualifying** connectives.

## Temporal

earlier            since            before  
 whenever            in...hours  
 until            now            during  
 later            meanwhile  
 at...o'clock            already            by the time

## Sequencing

firstly            secondly            next  
 then            finally  
 after            before

## Comparing

equally            similarly  
 in the same way            likewise            like  
 as            with            just as

## Adding

and            as well as  
 too            also            moreover

## Cause and effect

because            so            thus  
 therefore            consequently

## Emphasising

above all            in particular  
 especially            significantly            indeed  
 notably            clearly            moreover

## Contrasting

whereas            alternatively  
 instead of            otherwise            unlike  
 on the other hand

## Place

on            within            throughout  
 beyond            below  
 to            from            out of  
 inside            outside  
 near            among            beneath  
 towards            into            off

## Illustrating

for example            such as  
 for instance            as revealed by  
 in the case of

## Qualifying

however            although            unless  
 except            if            yet  
 as long as            apart from            despite

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### Sequencing

firstly      the most important reason  
secondly      in addition  
another      this is also true of  
next      subsequently      then  
finally      after      before  
in conclusion      to sum up

### Emphasising

emphasising      above all      in particular  
especially      significantly      indeed  
notably      clearly      moreover

### Showing interpretations

alternatively      on the other hand  
a different way of looking at  
this is      looking at it this way

### Cause and effect

because      so      as a result  
thus      therefore      consequently

### Comparing

equally      similarly      in the same way  
likewise      like      as  
with      just as

### Recognising others' opinions

some people may think that  
it is often said that  
people may disagree  
many people seem to think that  
most people would agree  
it is hard to ignore  
it could be argued that

### Expressing opinions

apparently      certainly      evidently  
fortunately      in my experience  
naturally      logically      luckily  
oddly      officially      in my view  
possibly      rationally      superficially  
surprisingly      understandably  
unfortunately      of course      incidentally

### Contrasting

whereas      alternatively  
instead of      otherwise  
unlike      on the other hand

### Exploring meanings

this could mean      it may be  
this suggests      perhaps      possibly  
it seems to me that      if      on the face of it