**Transitions to Lead Your Reader Where You Want Them to Go**

**To show time or chronological order:**

First, second, meanwhile, next, later , presently, finally, eventually, sooner or later, in the beginning, then, prior, before, during, following, at length, at this point, afterwards, at the end, soon, now, moments later, in the meantime, at the moment, formerly, at last, after, at the same time, from that moment, in the beginning, in the end, since, subsequently, until, when while, before then, in a few minutes, earlier, firstly, secondly, third, fourth, immediately, in the future, currently, after a short time, as long as, as soon as, at that time, of late, lately, shortly, since, temporarily, thereafter, thereupon, after a while, in the past, simultaneously, so far, until now, when, that day/evening, years later, usually, no sooner, frequently, not infrequently, occasionally, rarely, never, always, sometimes, when, not unless, in some cases, not unless

**To add an idea to one already stated:**

Moreover, furthermore, besides, equally important, and, and then, in the same fashion, further, likewise, too, nor, again, in addition, also, first, second, third, as well, an example of this, another, as a result, at last, at this time, consequently, finally, for example, however, in spite of this, nevertheless, on the other hand, soon, such, therefore, thus, next, then, last, in the first place, still, along with, similarly, especially, consequently, in conclusion, in brief, on the whole, of course, doubtless, granted,

**To illustrate some idea or to sum up or intensify what has been said:**

For example, in any event, in brief, in other words, as I have said, in short, to sum up, for instance, in any case, on the whole, in fact, as a result, in particular, namely, also, that is, as an illustration, thus, specifically, after all, an illustration of, even, indeed, it is true, of course, to illustrate, truly, because, inevitably, naturally, as a consequence, therefore

**For spatial order:**

Outside, inside, near, behind, closer, around, beyond, to the left/right, ahead, overhead, beneath, above, in the distance, in the front, in the foreground, in the back, in the background, at the side, adjacent, nearby, here, there, adjacent to, below, elsewhere, farther on, on the other side, opposite to, to the east/west, throughout, equally important, of major concern, best of all, above all

**For comparison and contrast:**

Like, besides, and, both, whereas, similarly, likewise, in addition, similar to, however, on the contrary, in contrast, on the other hand, but, yet, nevertheless, conversely, still, at the same time, in like manner, in the same way, in comparison, after all, although true, and yet, for all that, perhaps, maybe, could be, just maybe, somehow, however, notwithstanding, equally, in spite of