

Some linking words and phrases

To add a point

- Also ...
- In addition, ...
- Similarly, ...
- Not only did..., but... also
- Moreover, ...
- Furthermore, ...

To contrast two points

- However, ...
- Although ...
- On the other hand ...
- Yet, ...
- Nevertheless, ...
- In contrast, ...
- Conversely, ...

To illustrate, or to give an example

- Then, ...
- After this / that ...
- Subsequently, ...

To note consequences

- So, ...
- Therefore, ...
- As a result, ...
- Consequently, ...
- Despite ...
- Since ...
- Hence, ...

To summarise or to conclude

- Finally, ...
- In conclusion, ...
- To conclude, ...
- To summarise, ...

To introduce ideas

- Firstly, ... (or 'The first point to note is ...')
- Secondly, ... (or 'The second point to note is ...')
- Finally, ... (or 'The next point to note is ...')

Words to introduce a point or idea:

Davies	contends
	states
	argues
	purports
	suggests
	insists
	asserts
	declares
	maintains