

## Linking Words for Essays, Reports, Papers, etc.

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**Listing:** first, second, third ... ; firstly, secondly, thirdly ... ; one, two, three (esp. in academic and technical use); a, b, c, (esp. in academic and technical use); for one thing... (and) for another (thing); to begin with; to start with; in the first place, in the second place; next, then; finally; last(ly); to conclude; last but not least

**Adding/Reinforcing:** also; too; furthermore; moreover,- then; in addition; above all; what is more

**Comparison/Similarity:** equally, likewise; similarly; in the same way

**Summary/Conclusion:** then; all in all; in conclusion; to sum up

**Exemplification:** namely; for example (e.g.); for instance; that is (i.e.); that is to say

**Result:** consequently; hence; so; therefore; thus; as a result

**Reformulation:** or rather; to put it another way; in other words

**Alternative:** alternatively; on the other hand

**Contrast:** on the contrary; in contrast; by contrast; on the one hand..., on the other (hand)

**Concession:** besides; however, nevertheless; still, though; in spite of that; on the other hand