

Cohesive Devices

USE THEM TO	EXAMPLES
Introduce the topic	The purpose of this essay is... // The central claim in this paper is... <i>The central claim of this paper is that small remedial measures cannot reverse the climate crisis.</i>
	The issue I/we focus on in this book report is... // This essay discusses... <i>This essay discusses the ineffectiveness of small remedial measures to combat the climate crisis.</i>
Introduce a new idea	Another point to consider is... // Equally important, // In a similar vein, // It is worth noting that... <i>Many people argue that implementing renewable energy sources, such as solar panels and wind turbines, is crucial for addressing climate change. Another point to consider is energy efficiency.</i>
	Another key factor is... // It is also important to mention that... // Likewise, // Similarly, <i>Using renewable energy sources like solar panels and wind turbines is a good option to combat climate change. Another key factor is energy efficiency.</i>
Show motive or reason	In accordance with... // In light of this... // Hence... // Owing to... // Thus... <i>A well-rounded diet provides essential nutrients needed for the body to function optimally. In accordance with these recommendations, individuals should prioritize making healthy food choices and incorporating physical activity into their daily routine.</i>
	Aiming to... // due to... // For this reason, // with the intention of... <i>A balanced diet helps our body function properly. For this reason, we should eat healthy foods and work out daily.</i>
Arrange ideas in order	First of all, // Firstly, ... Secondly, ... // In the first place, ... In second place, ... // In due time, // Prior to... // Subsequently, <i>First of all, we want to address the recent concerns over absenteeism in our school.</i>
	For starters, // From time to time, // In the beginning, // Not so long ago, // Recently, // Sooner or later, // To begin with, // Until now, <i>For starters, we want to talk about the students who have been absent from school lately.</i>
Connect two ideas of the same kind	Additionally, // Furthermore, // In addition, // Moreover, // Not only..., but also... <i>Not only are postcards a powerful visual medium for delivering a message, but the text is also minimal compared to a letter.</i>
	Again, // Also, // and // Besides, // Not to mention... // What's more, <i>Postcards are often more effective than a letter. Besides, they take less time to write.</i>

Add an example	<p>As revealed by... // illustrated by... // In the case of... // This can be seen in... <i>The impact of climate change is a pressing issue requiring immediate attention. This is illustrated by the drastic decline in the population of polar bears and coral reefs.</i></p>
	<p>For example, // For instance, // For one thing // such as // that is <i>We need to pay close attention to the negative effects of climate change. For instance, fewer polar bears and coral reefs remain than a few years ago.</i></p>
Emphasize an idea	<p>Above all, // Crucially, // Indeed, // More importantly, // More so than anything else, // Notably, // paramount... // particularly... // <i>Above all, maintaining strong communication is paramount for the success of any team or organization.</i></p>
	<p>Especially, // essentially... // In other words, // In particular, // mainly... // primarily... // Significantly, // the key to... <i>In other words, keeping an open line of communication is the key to success in any team or organization.</i></p>
Connect two contrasting ideas	<p>Conversely, // Despite that, // In spite of... // Nevertheless, // On the one hand, ... On the other hand, ... // whereas... <i>The heavy rain pouring outside threatened to spoil the students' field trip. Despite that minor nuisance, the students enjoyed a memorable and educational experience.</i></p>
	<p>Although... // even though... // However, // In contrast, // instead... // while... // Yet, <i>It rained a lot the day the students had planned their field trip. Although it was a small annoyance, the students had a fun learning experience.</i></p>
Show cause and effect	<p>Accordingly, // As a result, // Consequently, // Hence, // Thus, <i>The president vetoed the bill. Consequently, it never became a law.</i></p>
	<p>because... // for... // since... // so, // then, // therefore, <i>The president turned the bill down, so it never became a law.</i></p>
Summarize several ideas	<p>All things considered, // As noted before, // Overall, // To summarize, <i>It has been reported that the recommended daily allowance includes high-protein foods, healthy fats, and rich sources of carbohydrates and is fortified with vitamins. Overall, scientists strongly suggest a well-balanced diet.</i></p>
	<p>All in all, // As you can see, // Finally, // In conclusion, // In short, <i>Scientists say we should eat food with all the proteins, fats, carbohydrates, and vitamins we need. In short, they recommend a balanced diet.</i></p>

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