Transition Words and Phrases Used in Writing

List of Connective Phrases and Transitions which signal:

ADDITIONAL FACTS (A SERIES OF THINGS):

again	finally	last	to begin with
also	first	lastly	then too
and	further	likewise	thirdly
another	furthermore	moreover	too
besides	in addition	next	
but also	initially	plus	
equally important	in the first place	secondly	

SERIES (Particularly helpful when writing out the process of something.)

initially	second	next	in conclusion
first	secondly	after that	finally
first of all	third	afterwards	
to begin with	thirdly	to conclude	

COMPARISON (similarities)

as	also	in the same way	similarly
as with	by comparison	likewise	
as though	in the like manner	or	

CONTRAST OR CHANGE (differences)

although	either	in spite of	on the contrary
anyhow	even though	instead	on the other hand
anyway	for all that	nevertheless	or
at the same time	however	neither	otherwise
but	if	nonetheless	still
by contrast	in any event	nor	unless
despite	in contrast	notwithstanding	yet

PLACE/LOCATION

above	below	beyond	into	over
across	beneath	farther	nearby	there
among	beside	here	nearer	under
adjacent	between	in	opposite	

CAUSE OR PURPOSE

	for this purpose	since
all things considered	if	toward this end
because	in order to	
for	with this object in mind	

RESULT

accordingly	consequently	obviously	then
as a result	for this reason	since	therefore
because	hence	so	thus

REPETITION

all of this means	in brief	in short	to summarize
as has been noted	in conclusion	on the whole	
as has been stated	in essence	that is to say	
finally	in other words	to conclude	

SPECIFIC EXAMPLES

a few of these are	for instance	the following will illustrate
especially	in particular	to illustrate
for example	let us consider an example	specifically

EMPHASIS

basically	certainly	of course
essentially	in fact	truly

TIME

	at present	later	then
after	before	meanwhile	until
afterward	currently	now	when
at last	finally	not long after	whenever
at length	immediately	since	while
as soon as	in the meantime	soon	

AMOUNT

all	greater	most	under	some
few	less than	none	several	
fewer than	more than	over	smaller	