

LINKING WORDS

He is rich **and** good-looking.

rewrite the sentence in as many ways as possible

POSITIVE ADDITION

and, also, too

both ... and

not only ... (but also/ as well)

moreover

in addition to

furthermore

further

besides

as well as

He is rich **and** good-looking.

- He is rich. **Moreover/ Furthermore/ In addition/ Besides,** he is good-looking.
- **As well as** being good-looking, he is rich.
- He is rich and good-looking, **too**.

NEGATIVE ADDITION

Neither Tracy **nor**
Maeve speaks Spanish.

neither ... nor

nor

neither

either

Neither Tracy **nor** Maeve speaks Spanish.

- Tracy doesn't speak Spanish. **Nor** does Maeve.
- Tracy doesn't speak Spanish and **neither** does Maeve.
- Tracy doesn't speak Spanish and Maeve **either**.

CONTRAST

but

not ... but

although

while

whereas

despite

even if/ even though

in contrast

however

yet

at the same time

I can't cook, **whereas**
my husband can.

I can't cook, **whereas** my husband can.

- **Although/ While/ Whereas/ Even though** I can't cook, my husband can.

SIMILARITY

similarly

likewise

in the same way

equally

Cyclists should wear
helmets; **similarly**,
horse riders should, too.

Cyclists should wear helmets; **similarly**,
horse riders should, too.

- Cyclists should wear helmets; horse riders should, **likewise**.

London is a very noisy
city **but** I like it.

but

even so

however

(and) still

(and) yet

nevertheless

CONCESSION

although/ though

even if

despite/ in spite of

regardless of

admittedly

considering

whereas

while

nonetheless

London is a very noisy city **but** I like it.

- London is a very noisy city. **Even so/ However/ Nonetheless/ Nevertheless,** I still like it.
- **Although/ Even though** London is a very noisy city, I still like it.
- **Despite/ In spite of / Regardless of** the fact that London is a very noisy city, I still like it.

ALTERNATIVE

We could **either** go to
a restaurant **or** get a
takeaway.

or
on the other hand
either ... or
alternatively

We could **either** go to a restaurant **or** get a
takeaway.

- We could go to a restaurant **or** get a
takeaway.
- We could go to a restaurant.

**Alternately/ On the other hand, we
could get a takeaway.**

EMPHASIS

besides + ing

not only this but...also

as well

what is more

in fact/ indeed

as a matter of fact

let alone

not only that

as well as + ing

She never even made
the bed, **let alone**
cleaned the house.

She never even made the bed, **let alone**
cleaned the house.

- She did nothing **in fact**; she never even made the bed or cleaned the house.
- She did nothing **indeed**; she never even made the bed or cleaned the house.
- She never even made the bed. **As a matter of fact**, she never cleaned the house.

EXEMPLIFICATION

I enjoyed all of Bronte's books, **especially** "Jane Eyre".

such as

like

for example

for instance

particularly / in particular

especially

I enjoyed all of Bronte's books, **especially**
"Jane Eyre".

- I enjoyed all of Bronte's books,
particularly "Jane Eyre".
- I enjoyed all of Bronte's books, "Jane
Eyre" **in particular**.

Fiona finds learning
French very difficult,
specifically,
remembering the
grammar rule.

compose your own sentences

CLARIFICATION

that is to say
specifically
in other words
to put it in another way
it is apparent that
it is evident that
it seems that

CAUSE / EFFECT / REASON

as

because / because of

since

due to

in view of

owing to

for

now that

on the grounds that

The factory workers
asked for a pay rise **on**
the grounds that the
cost of living had risen.

The factory workers asked for a pay rise **on the grounds that** the cost of living had risen.

- The factory workers asked for a pay rise **as/ because/ since/ for/ now that** the cost of living had risen.
- The factory workers asked for a pay rise **due to/ in view of/ because of** the cost of living had risen.

MANNER

He behaves **as if** he
owned the place, but he
is only a waiter.

as

(in) the way

how

the way in which

(in) the same way (as)

as if

as though

He behaves **as if** he owned the place, but
he is only a waiter.

- He behaves **as though** he owned the
place, but he is only a waiter.