

Learn linking words with a native speaker :
Apprenez à structurer vos phrases avec un prof anglophone.

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Linking Words and Expressions

Using **transitional** words and phrases or linking words helps you to make yourself **understood** more easily, make **shorter** sentences and improve the **connections** and transitions between **thoughts**. It also helps if you can **structure** your ideas into a clear beginning, middle and end.

1. Positions in the text

Some linking words should only be used within a sentence.

and but so because then until such as

Other linking words should only be used between sentences.

Furthermore, Moreover, However, Nevertheless, Therefore,

Some linking words can be used to conclude your point.

In conclusion In that case providing that unless as long as

Let me sum up That covers what I wanted to say Feel free to ask any questions

I'd be glad to answer any questions Thanks for listening As I said earlier

2. Grammar of linking words

Linking devices are **neither** nouns, nor verbs.

- Some linking words must be followed by a clause
(Subject + Verb + Object)

For example:

while why because although so whereas when

- Other linking words should be followed by a noun phrase
(Linking word + (the) + Noun/Pronoun or gerund)

For example:

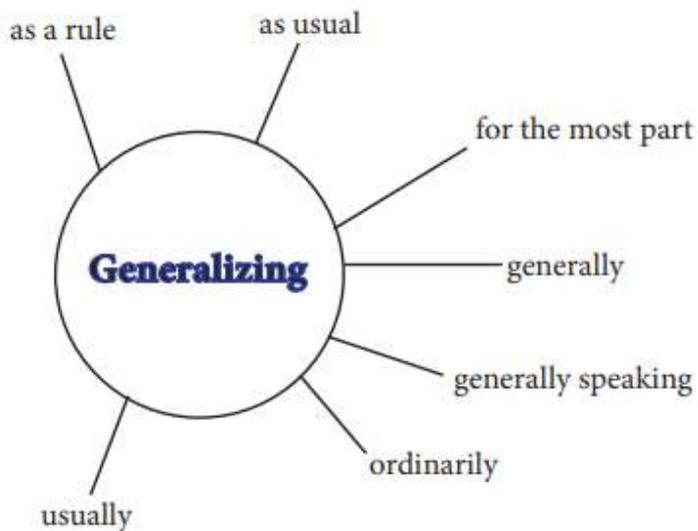
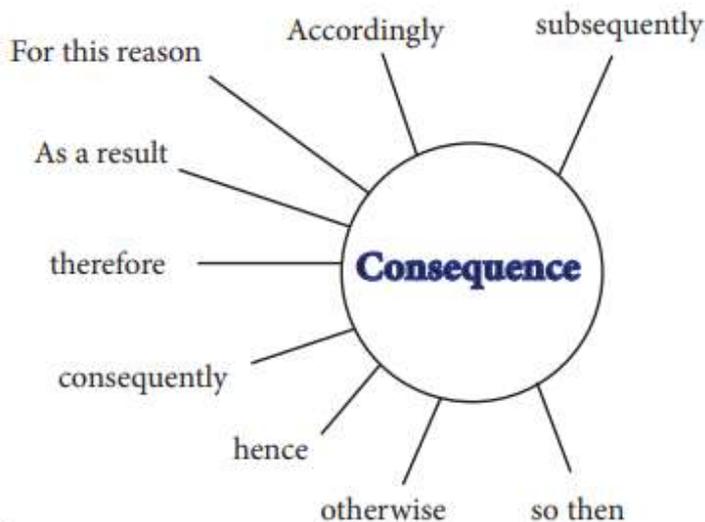
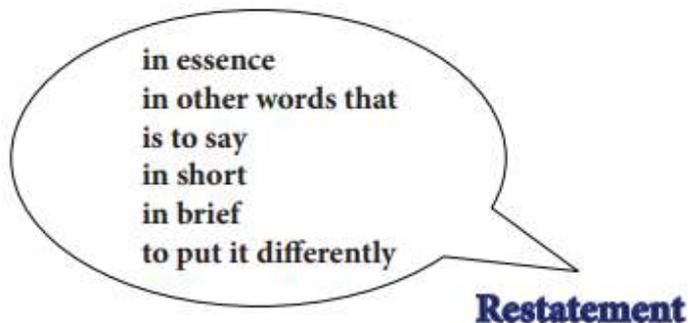
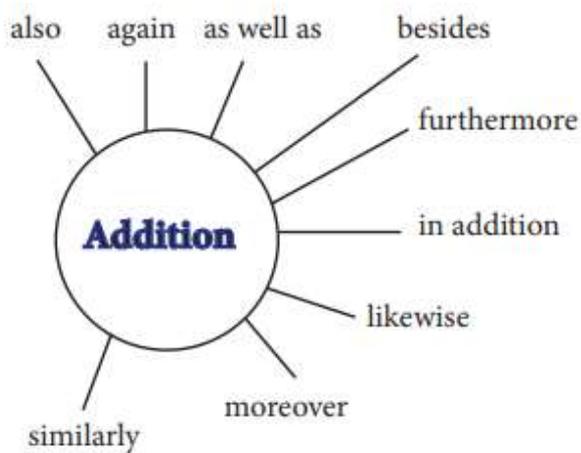
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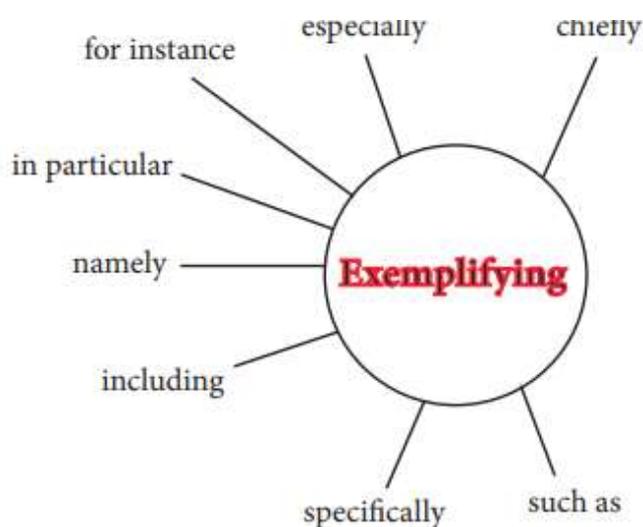
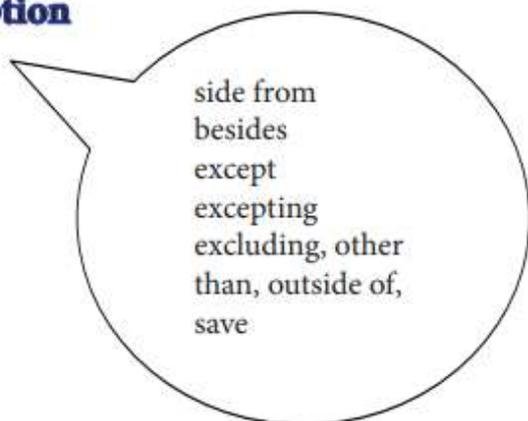
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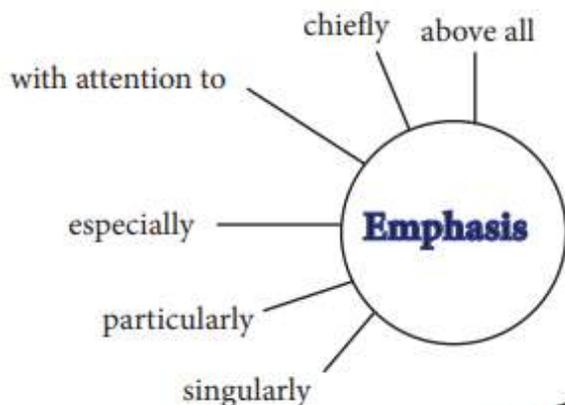
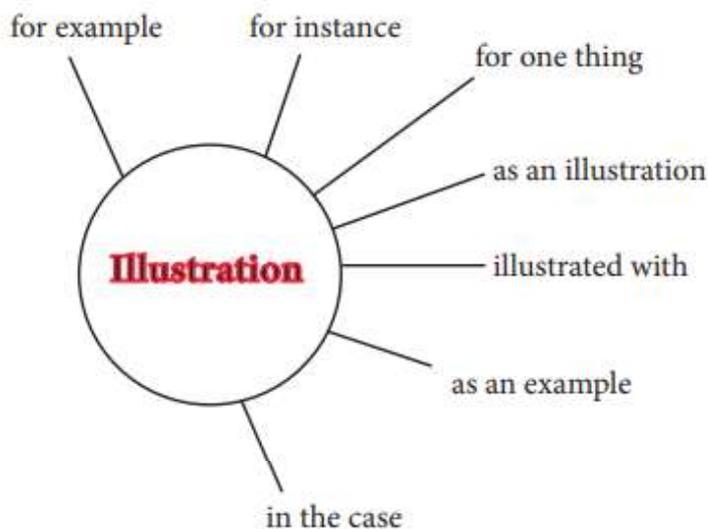
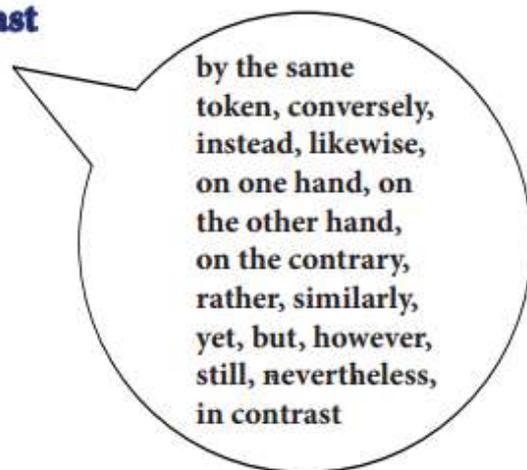
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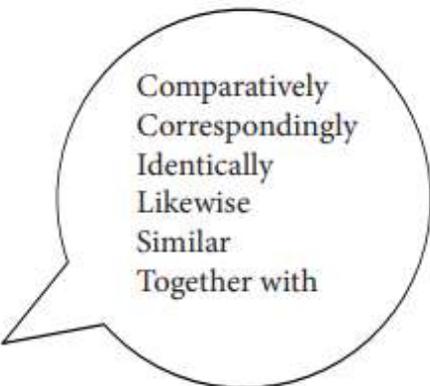
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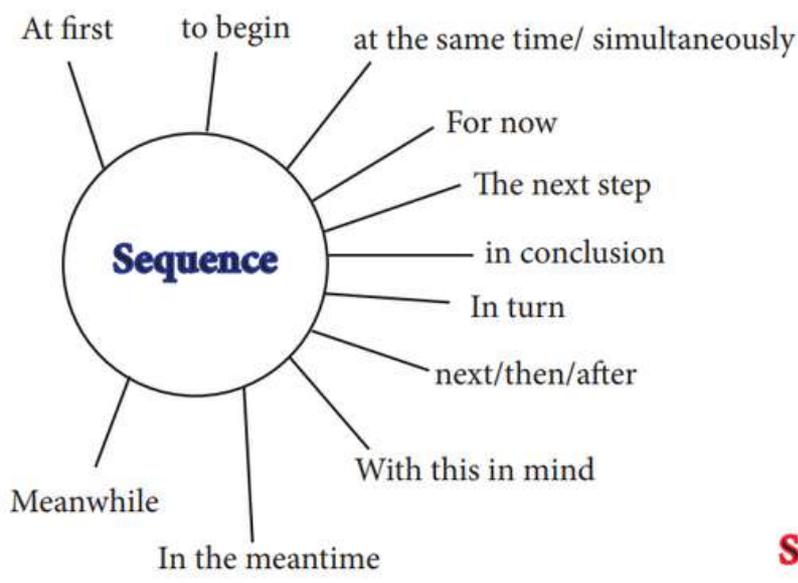


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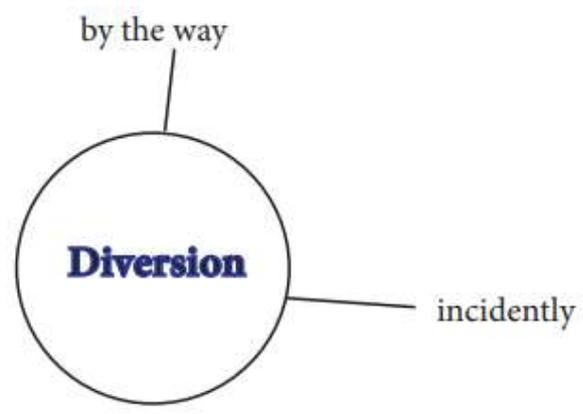
Similarity





Summarising

after all, all in all, all things considered, briefly, by and large, in any case, in any event, in brief, in conclusion, on the whole, in short, in summary, in the final analysis, in the long run, on balance, to sum up, to summarize, finally



Direction

here, there, over there, beyond, nearly, opposite, under, above, to the left, to the right, in the distance