

Grades 3-4

32 multiple choice cards

TRANSITIONS

BEGINNING SET

Transitions

Fill in the blank with the best transition word or phrase

Dolphins are playful animals. _____ they sometimes play catch with coconuts.

- a) In conclusion
- b) Although
- c) In fact

Transitions

Fill in the blank with the best transition word or phrase

10

Kai made the entire dinner by himself. _____, he also made dessert.

- a) In conclusion
- b) In addition
- c) Therefore



Fill in the blank with the best transition word or phrase

30

_____ people celebrate days in different ways around the world.

contrast
sum up



Task Cards

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Transitions Task Cards: Beginning

Use these 32 Transition Task Cards to help your students learn when and how to use transitions. Students will need to use the context clues within the sentences to discern the correct transition. The multiple choice format facilitates vocabulary acquisition in that even if a student does not know the meaning of the correct word or phrase, he or she can use the process of elimination to get the correct answer, thereby gaining understanding of the meaning of the transition.

Please note:

- This is the beginning set, so the focus is on the easier transitions. A beginner set is also available in my TpT Store.
- The included Transitions reference sheet can be used to help students find the meaning of the transitions on the cards. It is also a helpful reference to have on hand for any writing task. It includes many of the most common transitions, but it is not an exhaustive list. Further, not all of the transitions on the sheet are included in the cards.

This download includes:

- Transitions reference sheet
- 32 multiple choice transition cards
- A challenge card and a cover card
- Answer key
- Student answer sheet (half page)

Printing and Cutting:

These cards were made to be printed in color, but will print out fine in gray scale too. They should print out with even margins around the cards; however, because every printer is different, it is possible that you may need to adjust your printer settings. Selecting "actual size" or adjusting the size percentage should do the trick. Cut the cards apart using the dotted guidelines (discarding the bottom strip). Laminate if possible. Another option is to print on cardstock.

TRANSITIONS

To Show Order

first, second, third

to begin next

before then

first of all at last

after that meanwhile

during afterwards

following finally

To Add Information

in addition furthermore

also so that

along with therefore

as well as because

besides in order to

for example besides

for instance in fact

such as with this in mind

To Emphasize

always

definitely

indeed

especially

never

positively

certainly

most importantly

To Contrast

in contrast although

however even though

unlike instead of

but otherwise

whereas yet

on the other hand

To Compare

compared to like

similar to likewise

similarly in the same way

To Conclude

in conclusion

all in all

as a result

to sum up

in other words

overall

Transitions

Fill in the blank with the best transition word or phrase

1

We went to the park and the library. _____, we got ice cream.

- a) Then
- b) In conclusion
- c) However



Transitions

Fill in the blank with the best transition word or phrase

2

Most spiders only live for one or two years. _____, a tarantula can live as long as 20 years!

- a) Therefore
- b) For example
- c) However



Transitions

Fill in the blank with the best transition word or phrase

3

Dolphins are playful animals. _____, they sometimes play catch with coconuts!

- a) In conclusion
- b) Although
- c) In fact



Transitions

Fill in the blank with the best transition word or phrase

4

A group of frogs is called an army, _____ a group of kangaroos is a mob.

- a) for example
- b) whereas
- c) in other words



Transitions Answer Key

1. a	2. c	3. c	4. b
5. c	6. a	7. c	8. b
9. c	10. b	11. a	12. b
13. c	14. a	15. b	16. a
17. b	18. a	19. a	20. a
21. a	22. a	23. b	24. b
25. c	26. b	27. c	28. c
29. a	30. b	31. c	32. a

Transitions

Challenge Card #1

Use the correct transition on the card in a new sentence.

Transitions Task Cards



Name _____ Date _____

Transitions Answer Sheet

1.	2.	3.	4.
5.	6.	7.	8.
9.	10.	11.	12.
13.	14.	15.	16.
17.	18.	19.	20.
21.	22.	23.	24.
25.	26.	27.	28.
29.	30.	31.	32.

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25.	26.	27.	28.
29.	30.	31.	32.