

Persuasive Writing Transitions

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Persuasive Writing: Signal Words

INTRODUCTORY PHRASES

In my opinion	There is no doubt that
I believe	From my point of view
It is my belief that	It seems to me that
I question whether	I (dis)agree with
I maintain	

CONCLUDING PHRASES

For the reasons above	To sum up	In short
As you can see	To be sure	Undoubtedly
As I have noted	Without a doubt	In conclusion
In other words	In summation	Obviously
On the whole	Unquestionably	Summarizing
In brief	In any event	In any case
Concluding		

SUPPORTING OPINIONS

First	Furthermore	Equally important	Besides
Second	In addition	In the first place	Again
Third	Also	Likewise	Similarly
Finally	Last	Next	Moreover

INTRODUCING DETAILS

For example	For instance	In support of this
In fact	As evidence	

CAUSE AND EFFECT

Since	Caused by	In effect
Because of	This results in	Brought about
Due to	Consequently	Made possible
For this reason	Accordingly	As might be expected
Therefore	As a result of	Give rise to
If . . . then	Leads to	Was responsible for

COMPARE AND CONTRAST

Similarly	Likewise	As well as
Compared to	In the same way	Have in common
In like manner	Contrasting	All are
On the contrary	On the other hand	The same as
Although	As opposed to	Conversely
Whether or not	Even though	Rather than
Nevertheless	In spite of	

COUNTERING

I realize you
I understand you
Even though you
Although you
Some people
It may be that you
Your idea to _____
deserves some merit

believe
feel
maintain
want
favor
support
argue
state

but
yet
however
I doubt
I question
Let me explain
On the contrary
Nevertheless