

An E-book of Connectors

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PREFACE

Connectors are one of the grammatical items that are used extensively in the English language, particularly in most processes and procedures. It is used to present the flow of a process and to show the connection between the ideas presented. It is undeniable that connectors are used widely in organizing the events of the beginning, middle and end.

However, there are some times when the students are unsure about using the connectors. They are confused about how to use the connectors to show the coherence of the sentence and they often used them wrongly in the wrong place. This is the aim of the e-book where it helps the students to easily refer to and revise the sequence connectors and will be able to use it correctly in the appropriate situation.

This e-book covers the lists of connectors that are arranged according to alphabetical order and category, as well as the sample sentences so that it is easier for the students to find the connectors that they need. It also includes several enrichment exercises for students to assess their understanding of the use of connectors. Plus, the answer scheme is provided for them to check their answers.

This e-book is undoubtedly suitable for educators who would like to focus on the use of connectors in the classroom without the help of the Internet, which sometimes could cause problems in terms of the connection and so on. They can print it and distribute it to the students or they can use the e-book in labs and enjoy the content. Students can also benefit from this e-book which can promote independent learning and extensive study outside the classroom. Hence, this e-book is helpful for those who want to learn more about connectors.

Last but not least, it is hoped that this e-book will benefit the users and may it help the students to become more proficient in English.

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CAUSE AND EFFECT/ RESULT

To express the factors and the result of something



LIST OF CONNECTORS	SAMPLE SENTENCES
Accordingly	Plenty of tourists visit the area in summer. Accordingly , selling hand-made objects is the main source of income for locals.
As a consequence of	Zack has skipped school on many occasions. As a consequence , he's failed his French test.
As a result	I've done a pranic healing course. As a result , I've been able to cure my neighbour's sick cat.
Because of	The company went bankrupt because of its poor management.
Because of this	It's probably because of this complex and uncontrolled variation that the results of the experiment were somewhat messy
Bring about	It took hours of negotiations to bring about a reconciliation between the two sides.
Cause	She is the cause of all their problems
Come from	Dyes come from plants or from chemicals
Consequently	She didn't like the pudding; consequently , she threw it all away
Contribute to	You all contribute to what we're doing.
For this reason	He has, for this reason , resolved to detain you in it, as a hostage for them
Hence	The prime minister was attending the conference, hence all the extra security
Is caused by	The dengue fever in Taman Alam is caused by the clogged drains
Is due to	My fitness is due to regular exercise
Is the consequence of	Increasing the risk of infectious diseases is the consequence of global warming in mountain regions
Is the result of	There, good citizens, is the result of a wasted day in the mountains.
Leads to	Silence leads to stillness and stillness leads to a standstill
Owing to	Owing to the rain, the match was cancelled
Result from	Many hair problems result from what you eat
Result in	Withdrawing the money early will result in a 10% penalty
Since	He left home two years ago and has since become a soldier
So	She was unhappy, so she left her husband

Stem from	Most of her health problems stem from an accident she had when she was younger.
Therefore	You had no real knowledge and therefore no way to make a wise decision.
Thus	You didn't tell me you wanted to come. Thus , we won't be taking you with us.

COMPARISON

To express the similarities/ dissimilarities between two things/ people



LIST OF CONNECTORS	SAMPLE SENTENCES
As with	He seems as comfortable with power brokers as with backstretch people
By comparison	Going out with Jim has its risks. By comparison , being with Tim is as easy as falling off a log
Despite this	As usual the forecast was wrong and it rained all day but despite this, we had a very good time
Equally	The money will be distributed equally among the winners.
Even though	He wants to go out, even though it's raining
In comparison	My shoes are small in comparison with my sister's.
In contrast	House prices have gone up this year. In contrast , car prices seem to be stagnating.
In the same way	Make the drink with boiling water in the same way as tea
Like	She's like my mom in so many ways
Likewise	You can't give your phone number to every man who asks for it. Likewise , you can't go out with everyone who fancies you.
Similarly	You're not allowed to use your phone here. Similarly , you have to switch it off when you're in the library.

CONTRAST

To express the different statement from the previous one



LIST OF CONNECTORS	SAMPLE SENTENCES
All the same	Yes, he's very good-looking. All the same , I don't think you should go out with him
Alternatively	We could go to the Indian restaurant, or alternatively , we could try that new Italian place
Although	Well, I hope they'll get him' although a nice-looking young fellow he was and no mistake.
Apart from	The room was empty apart from one man seated beside the fire
But	I've asked you a thousand times not to leave your dirty socks on the floor. Yet , you keep doing it
Despite this	As usual the forecast was wrong and it rained all day but despite this , we had a very good time
Even so	It was raining, but even so we had to go out
However	This restaurant has the best kitchen in town. However , their staff are quite rude
In any case	I was thinking of going around Jim's place. In any case , I haven't been invited
In spite of	They never made much money, in spite of their success.
instead	I didn't want to take a side in the argument. Instead , I put my headphones on and listened to some smooth jazz.
Nevertheless	I was in so much pain I didn't want to get up in the morning. Nevertheless , I went to football practice as usual.
Nonetheless	I don't think Sean has serious behavioral problems. Nonetheless , I'll talk to him first thing in the morning.
On the contrary	I don't hate Jim. On the contrary , I'm rather fond of him.
On the other hand	England has the best language schools. On the other hand , it has the worst weather
Whereas	All of my sisters are doctors, whereas I am a teacher
While	I don't want you to drive while you're so tired
Yet	It was early, yet we were all ready for bed after our long hike

PERSUASION

To express the belief on something



LIST OF CONNECTORS	SAMPLE SENTENCES
Again	She fell asleep again when he left the room
Besides	Besides not eating much, they won't ever chew on your electric cords.
Certainly	We will certainly buy some cookies
Clearly	You're clearly upset about something.
Decidedly	She was by now decidedly plain, but thought herself not merely as good-looking as before but even far more attractive.
Evidently	He had evidently decided to hang back a little longer.
For this reason	He has, for this reason , resolved to detain you in it, as a hostage for them.
Indeed	The meal was very expensive indeed .
Of course	Of course , he was just a kid
Surely	Surely she would understand.
Undoubtedly	This was an area where he undoubtedly knew best.

CONCLUSION

To summarize on something



LIST OF CONNECTORS	SAMPLE SENTENCES
All in all	All in all , you have to make sure both you and your customers are satisfied with your work.
Evidently	He had evidently decided to hang back a little longer.
Finally	Finally he pulled away.
In brief	Meeting my boss at the pub was an interesting experience. In brief , it was a disaster.
In conclusion	In conclusion , it may be said that pigs make the best pets.
In summary	In summary , it may not be the best idea to frequent the same pubs as your boss.
On the whole	The summer is hot, but on the whole the climate is very healthy.

Overall	It was an overall combination of respect and interest
Summarising	This article is confined to summarizing the philosophical or scientific arguments for, and objections to, the doctrine of the persistence of the human soul after death.
To conclude	It would be wrong, however, to conclude that moral considerations have led up to this state of things.
To sum up	To sum up , some people are better suited to working from home than others.

ILLUSTRATION/ EXAMPLIFICATION

To illustrate/ to give example



LIST OF CONNECTORS	SAMPLE SENTENCES
An instance	This is an instance of his general attitude to his employees.
As an example	The figure below is provided as an example
As revealed by	But there are two dramatic weaknesses in the new model family as revealed by these surveys.
For example	To solve this problem, you might want to try making small gestures. For example , making your spouse's favourite meal for dinner or giving him a massage after a tiring day.
For instance	Appreciate the small things your spouse does for you. For instance , leave thank-you notes for them every now and then.
For one thing	Well, for one thing , it's too big.
In other words	In other words , she didn't like it.
In the case of	The police have ruled out foul play in the case of his death.
Such as	It is not a place for one such as you.
To illustrate	Misunderstandings can be highly destructive. To illustrate , if your spouse sees you with a friend of the opposite sex in a café, he might not understand why he hasn't been invited and demand an explanation.
To show that	He nodded to show that he understood

ADDITION

To give additional
information



LIST OF CONNECTORS	SAMPLE SENTENCES
Additionally	Additionally , they can be taught to feed themselves if you allow them access to your pantry.
Again	If at first you don't succeed, try, try again
Also	No answer is also answer.
And	Beware of a silent dog and still water.
Besides	Besides not eating much, they won't ever chew on your electric cords.
Finally	Finally , pet dogs are fantastic guards. No burglar would ever have the heart to hurt a pet dog.
Further	We travelled further inland the next day.
Furthermore	Furthermore , they make wonderful walking buddies.
In addition	In addition , they can be taught to feed themselves if you allow them access to your pantry.
In addition to	In addition to having a pet, they can be taught to feed themselves if you allow them access to your pantry.
Moreover	Moreover , they'll show you the way home when you're drunk.
Not only...but	Not only but also I am a teacher.
Then	First think, and then speak

OPINION

To express one's view on something



LIST OF CONNECTORS	SAMPLE SENTENCES
As far as I know	He isn't coming today, as far as I know
As for me, I think	As for me, I think I still believe in trees.
I believe	I believe my sister to be honest.
I believe that	I believe that your business will thrive more this year.
I'd say that	I'd say that in our family, Kelly talks the most.
I feel	I feel bad about the mistake.
If I am not mistaken	He said so, if I am not mistaken .
In my opinion	In my opinion , the decision was wholly justified.
In my experience	In my experience , very few people really understand the problem
In my view	In my view it was a waste of time.
I think	I think I've caught a bug.
It seems likely	It seems likely that he will miss Ireland's next match.
It seems to me	It seems to me you don't have much choice
What I mean is	What I mean is , I don't feel alone anymore'

PARTICULARIZATION

To emphasize/ stress on something



LIST OF CONNECTORS	SAMPLE SENTENCES
In particular, particularly	Nearly a third of marriages end in divorce. In particular , it's middle-aged couples that yearn for much more from life.
More specifically	Couples tend to argue about financial issues. More specifically , they argue when one of them is out of work.

EXPLANATION

To clarify on something



LIST OF CONNECTORS	SAMPLE SENTENCES
In other words	Don't be unsociable. In other words , go out and make some friends.
Namely	I have a very good reason for not trusting my ex. Namely , he's a convicted felon.
Put differently	John has managed to get over Jane. Put differently , he's started seeing other women.
That is to say, That is	Keep romance alive. That is to say , don't let your lovelife fall into routine.

FOCUSING AND LINKING

To link the previous information with the current topic



LIST OF CONNECTORS	SAMPLE SENTENCES
As far as ... concerned	As far as dogs are concerned , they might give you a chance to get up from your desk and get some exercise during the day.
As for (often suggests disinterest or dislike)	I'm going to Janet's party at the weekend. As for Mary's, I think I'll pass.
As regards	Working from home has many advantages. As regards disadvantages, it might be difficult to keep your cat off your keyboard.
Regarding	Start your day with making the most important phone calls. Regarding emails, you might put them off until later.
Talking of	Talking of cats, you can't trust them to keep you company when you need it. They're quite selfish creatures.
With regard to	With regard to handling complaints, you might want to keep in mind that your customers are always right.
With respect to	Starting your own IT company may be the one of the best things you can do right now. With respect to opening a pet shop, it's hard to say the same thing.

EMPHASIS

To emphasize/ stress on something



LIST OF CONNECTORS	SAMPLE SENTENCES
Actually	I think it would be a good idea to send her some flowers. Actually , you should get her a hundred orchids.
As it happens	There is a room vacant, as it happens .
As a matter of fact	I love sleeping with my pet pig. As a matter of fact , I can't fall asleep unless he's in my bed.
In fact	I told them not to invite Rachel to the party. In fact , I was the only person who saw what a party pooper she really was.
In particular	Why did you choose that day in particular ?
In reality	There is no such thing as a ghost in reality .
Indeed	He may be the best-dressed man around. Indeed , he has a really good taste in fashion
Notably	Many students were absent, notably the monitor.
Significantly	Most people have speech, but significantly fewer have writing.
To be sure	He is young, to be sure , but very experienced.
Truly	I felt truly at home.

ORDER OF IMPORTANCE

To show/express the importance of something



List of connectors	SAMPLE SENTENCES
Above all	Above all , don't ever look up from your notes when people are around.
It is essential/ Essentially/ basically (usually spoken)	How can I put this? Essentially , having an affair with one of your colleagues should be the last thing on your mind.
Most/ more importantly	I'd like to talk to you about how to keep calm at your workplace. Most importantly , never go to the canteen while your boss is there.
Most significantly	Most significantly , avoid eye contact at all costs.
Primarily	You'll have to focus on your immediate surroundings. Primarily , on your computer screen.

SIMILARITY

Used to add more information and to give more explanation



LIST OF CONNECTORS	SAMPLE SENTENCES
Also	I want to talk to Prince Harry when I'm in England. Also , I want to meet his sister-in-law.
Correspondingly	She's an excellent photographer. Correspondingly , her paintings are works of art.
In the same way	Cutting down on sugar will help you lose weight. In the same way , doing more exercise will help you get rid of a few kilos.

SEQUENCING

- Used to link opinions from one sentence to the next and to give paragraphs coherence
- Help us organize the events of the beginning, middle and end of a story.



LIST OF CONNECTORS	SAMPLE SENTENCES
Also	Also , they don't eat much.
At present/ presently	The doctor will be here presently .
Finally	Finally , pet dogs are fantastic guards. No burglar would ever have the heart to hurt a pet dog.
First, firstly, first of all, in the first place, first and foremost	First of all , I'd like to talk about the benefits of having a pet.
For another thing	For another thing , you might want to consider how cute they look in pajamas.
For one thing	For one thing , they're completely loyal to their owners.
Last, lastly, last of all	Lastly , your reputation as an eccentric will rapidly grow in the neighborhood if you're seen walking a pet dog on a leash every morning.
Next	He was considering what to do next .
Second, secondly, in the second place	Secondly , their impressive numeracy skills must be mentioned.
Third, thirdly, in the third-place	In the third place , you can always count on your pet dog to perform some tricks for you when you'd like to impress a pretty girl.
To begin with	To begin with , let me give you the definition of plagiarism.

CORRECTION

To explain the real intention



LIST OF CONNECTORS	SAMPLE SENTENCES
Rather	I thought it was a good idea to get a ferret. Rather , it had always been my dream to get one.
To be more precise	You might want to change a few things. To be more precise , I think you should start again from scratch.

TIME

To show the transition of time



LIST OF CONNECTORS	SAMPLE SENTENCES
Afterwards	Afterwards , I had a hard time understanding the tenses.
At first	It wasn't a piece of cake to learn English. At first , I couldn't pronounce all the words correctly.
In the meantime	In the meantime , I was getting some help from MyEnglishTeacher.
Later	Later , I couldn't memorize phrasal verbs and idioms.
Meanwhile	Meanwhile , I was enjoying my skype lessons more and more.
Then	Then , I couldn't spell all the words correctly.

DISMISSAL

To show the decision



LIST OF CONNECTORS	SAMPLE SENTENCES
Anyhow	Anyhow , I've just decided to learn Russian next.
Anyway	I couldn't get my head around the Passive Voice. Anyway , I don't think it's important to use it all the time.
At any rate	At any rate , I don't want to become a simultaneous interpreter in five languages.

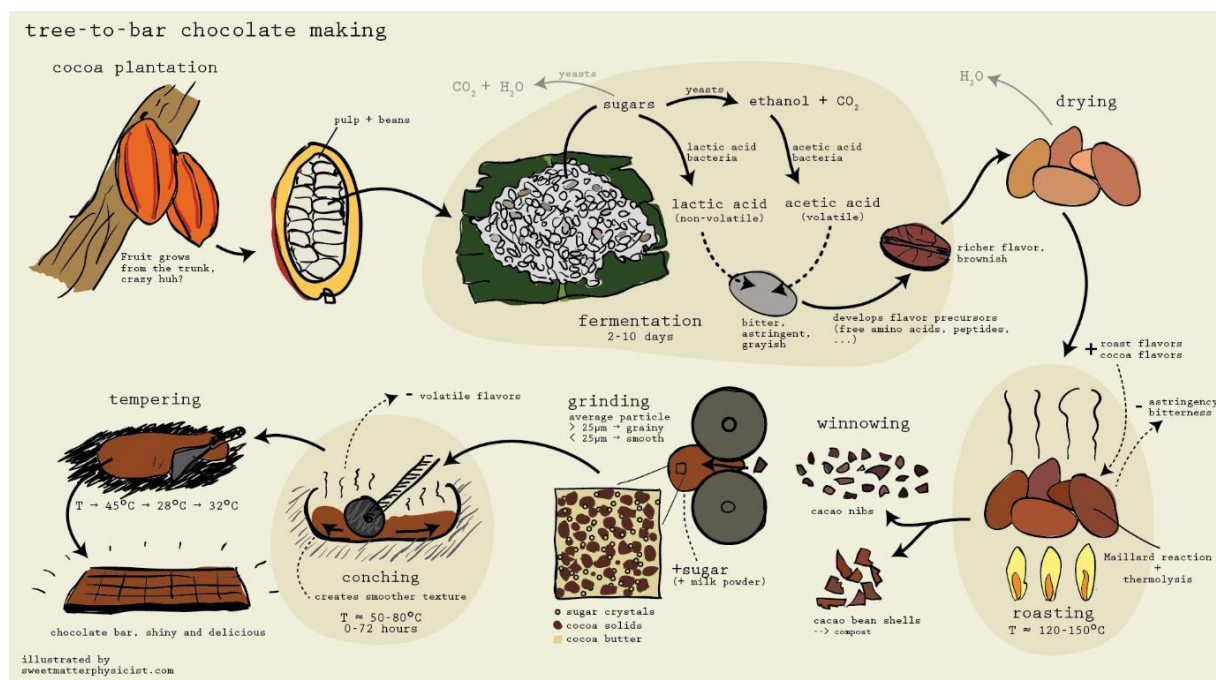


ENRICHMENT EXERCISES

Exercise 1 : Matching Connectors Worksheet

Match the connectors in the left column to sentence in the right column.

The diagram below shows the sequence on how cocoa beans are processed. Match the correct connectors that match the diagram.



Connectors
Most importantly
After
Finally
Secondly
Significantly
After that
Thirdly
Later
In the meantime
First and foremost
Next

Sentences
The ripe cocoa that grows from the trunk is harvested
The ripe cocoa beans, which are in white colour undergo a fermentation process.
Sugars, that contain lactic acid bacteria, as well as Ethanol and carbon dioxide which has acetic acid are added
The cocoa beans changed greyish in colour and tastes slightly bitter.
The richer flavour develops and the colour turns brownish.
The cocoa beans need to undergo a drying process, which is roasting under 120-150 degree Celsius
Undergo winnowing process to separate the beans from the cocoa shells
Undergo grinding process to produce grainy and smooth cocoa
Mix with sugar and milk powder
Undergo the conching process to create smoother texture.
Undergo tempering with different temperature to produce the final product; shiny and delicious chocolate bars.

Exercise 2 : Information transfer

Fill in the blanks with the correct connectors from the box.

1. There is no more food left. _____ there is plenty of drinks.
2. The Interact Club has done well to help the poor. _____ the Welfare Club has done well too.
3. The documents will be scrutinized by the police. _____ they will be sent back to the relevant authority.
4. The retailer has been making losses. _____ he intends to wind up his business.
5. Wash the potatoes first. _____ you can boil them.
6. We have been trying to contact Michael for the past few days. _____ we managed to trace him to a hotel in town.
7. Life in the country may not be as exciting as life in the city. _____ you are close to nature which provides peace and quietness.
8. The dog will bark without fail every time the ice-cream man passes by. _____ it will start howling.
9. Let us not be complacent with ourselves. _____ we may lose out in the final round.
10. Lopez has experienced poverty and hardship before. _____ he has a sympathetic heart towards the poor and needy.

Therefore	Afterwards
Otherwise	Therefore
After sometime	Then
Nevertheless	Similarly
Eventually	However

Exercise 3: Multiple Choice Questions

Fill in the blanks with the correct connectors from the box.

1. Jack wasn't tired. ____, he took a nap.
 - a. Otherwise
 - b. Hence
 - c. Nevertheless

2. Phil was not thirsty; ____, he drank five glasses of water.
 - a. However
 - b. Moreover
 - c. Furthermore

3. The kids didn't study. ____, they failed the course.
 - a. Therefore
 - b. Nonetheless
 - c. Otherwise

4. The weather was terrible. ____, we decided to delay our trip.
 - a. Furthermore
 - b. Besides
 - c. Therefore

5. You must buy the tickets; ____, we won't be able to see that play.
 - a. Otherwise
 - b. Although
 - c. Besides

6. The neighborhood isn't very interesting. I like the house, ____.
 - a. Moreover
 - b. Thus
 - c. Though

7. We live in the same building; ____, we hardly see each other.
 - a. However
 - b. Therefore
 - c. Furthermore

8. Karen is rich; ____, her cousin Kate is poor.

- a. Therefore
- b. However
- c. Otherwise

9. You'd better take a taxi. ____, you'll arrive late.

- a. Consequently
- b. Furthermore
- c. Otherwise

10. I enjoy reading this new magazine. ____, it has good articles.

- a. Moreover
- b. Nevertheless
- c. However

Exercise 4 : Fill in the blanks

Fill in the blanks with the correct connectors from the box.

1. Susie refused to take part in the concert. _____, she changed her mind the next day.
2. The car beat the red traffic light. _____, the driver was issued a summons by the traffic policeman.
3. "Fira won the gold medal after three months of intensive training. _____, you too could win if you practice hard enough," Liza's mother said to her.
4. "I don't think she can handle this task. _____, she already has a lot of other responsibilities," said the head prefect to his assistant.
5. The cadets were given new uniforms to wear. _____, they received free passes to the match.
6. The people strongly opposed the move to build a golf course near their house. _____, the proposed plan was cancelled.
7. "The final examinations are coming soon. _____, it would be advisable for you to begin revising more systematically," the teacher told her class.
8. The neighbors often helped each other, _____ creating a feeling of harmony in the neighborhood.
9. The teenager was caught shoplifting. _____, he was let off with a warning.
10. Shaun is directing the movie. _____, he is playing the lead role in it.
11. Thomas Edison failed several times before he successfully invented the first light bulb. _____, you too could attain your dreams if you never give up trying.
12. The bungalow had seven rooms, each with an attached bathroom. _____, there was a large garden and a swimming pool.



ANSWERS

Exercise 1 : Matching Connectors Worksheet

Connectors	Sentences
Most importantly	The ripe cocoa that grows from the trunk is harvested [FIRST AND FOREMOST]
After	The ripe cocoa beans, which are in white colour undergo a fermentation process. [SECONDLY]
Finally	Sugars, that contain lactic acid bacteria, as well as Ethanol and carbon dioxide which has acetic acid are added [THIRDLY]
Secondly	The cocoa beans changed greyish in colour and tastes slightly bitter. [SIGNIFICANTLY]
Significantly	The richer flavour develops and the colour turns brownish. [AFTER THAT]
After that	The cocoa turns brownish, the cocoa beans need to undergo a drying process, which is roasting under 120-150 degree Celsius [AFTER]
Thirdly	It has to undergo the winnowing process to separate the beans from the cocoa shells [NEXT]
Later	It needs to undergo a grinding process to produce grainy and smooth cocoa [MOST IMPORTANTLY]
In the meantime	Mix with sugar and milk powder [IN THE MEANTIME]
First and foremost	It has to undergo a conching process to create a smoother texture. [LATER]
Next	The mixture needs to undergo tempering with different temperature to produce the final product; shiny and delicious chocolate bars. [FINALLY]

Exercise 2 : Information transfer

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4. The retailer has been making losses. **THEREFORE** he intends to wind up his business.
5. Wash the potatoes first. **AFTERWARDS** you can boil them.
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Exercise 3 : Multiple Choice Questions

1. B
2. A
3. A
4. C
5. A
6. C
7. A
8. B
9. C
10. A

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