

Transition Words

Following is a list of transition words commonly found in quality APUS essays.

in addition	at the same time	around	in fact
most important	to begin with	hence	similarly
likewise	equally	moreover	eventually
but	beyond	nevertheless	otherwise
instead	neither	for instance	specifically
once	here	soon	although
in comparison	on the contrary	then	by comparison
across from	otherwise	therefore	thus
unfortunately	hereafter	away from	before
furthermore	more important	consequently	in any case
provided that	whereas	across	yet
on the contrary	presently	through	as a result
further	equally important	in place of	also
of course	thereupon	above	as though
underneath	below	differing from	still
because	as if	for	above
moreover	fortunately	therefore	accordingly
besides	in general	as much as	unless
at once	less important	in spite of	on the other hand
adjacent	another	besides	for example
furthermore	in addition to	now	at length
while	farther	notwithstanding	for this reason
as	hence	even though	since

As should be immediately obvious, some are much better than others. Seek out those terms which correspond with your writing style and reflect higher order critical thinking skills. Avoid lower level terms such as firstly, etc; in conclusion, another example, and the like

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