

Cause/Effect Signal Words

accordingly, after, also, as a result, as if, as though, because, before, cause, consequence, consequently, effect, following, for this reason, hence, if, if ... then, in order to, it follows that, not only, but, on account of, provided that, reason/s, since, so, so that, then, therefore, there upon, this led to, when, whenever, yet

If ...  then ...

Chronological Sequence Signal Words

after, afterwards, ago already, always, at last, at that time, at the same time, before, during, eventually, finally, first, first of all, following, further, immediately, initially, in the first place, in the meantime, in that moment, in that instant, last, lastly, later, now, not long after, next, once, presently, second, secondly, sometimes, soon, soon after, subsequently, suddenly, then, to begin with, today, until, while, PLUS: specific time indicators, such as names of days, months or years, times of day



Compare/Contrast Signal Words

advantage, although, also, as opposed to, as well as, but, both, by comparison, compared with/to, conversely, differences, different from, disadvantage, even though, either ... or, however, in contrast, in like-manner, instead of, just as, like, likewise, neither, nevertheless, on the contrary, on the other hand, rather than, same as, similar to, similarly, unlike, some, than, unless, whereas



List/Description Signal Words

additionally, in addition, also, another, approximate, a number of, at first, as well as, besides, features, first, for example, for instance, first, former, furthermore, include, last, latter, to illustrate, many moreover, most important, much, next, numerous, parts, secondly, several, such as, the following, these, to begin with, types, various



PLUS: specific or general elements of measurement including words like metres/litres/numerals; punctuation markers which suggest detail or description may follow, e.g. commas, colons

**Note: This plan can be used without signal words.*

Problem/Solution Signal Words

a solution, answer, assist, concern, decision, difficulty, help, how, issue, no, one answer is, problem, puzzle, question, resolve, solution, solve, yes

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