



Transition Words in Essays

Some kinds of transition words help a reader keep track of where they are when they are reading. Transition words move a reader through your essay and provide clues as to whether they are reading a major supporting detail, a minor supporting detail, or the conclusion.

DIRECTIONS: Sort the transition words below into the correct columns.

in conclusion	one	for example	on the whole
to sum up	next	moreover	furthermore
to begin	first	as shown above	in summary
to be specific	this means	case in point	ultimately

Major Details	Minor Details	Conclusion