

HOW TO WRITE



linking words

How do we use linking words? Read this before writing a paragraph.

Linking words and conjunctions make a text more unified and cohesive. Think of linking words as the glue that holds the sentences and paragraphs together.

Conjunctions link main and subclauses.

They won't be allowed to leave the class **unless** they get a written permit.

They boys were dancing **while** the girls just watched.

Not only is sports good for your physique, **but** it is **also** good for your mental health.

Linking words link clauses.

The Indian people I know prefer tea to coffee. **However**, when in travelling in Europe, they also drink coffee. A dip in a cool lake is very refreshing after a sauna. **Similarly**, a roll in the snow can be an invigorating experience.

Airports around the world have beefed up their security. **Therefore**, there are often delays during peak season.

CONJUNCTIONS

- **after** sen jälkeen; sitten
- **as / as long as** kuten; koska; niin kauan kuin
- **as soon as** kun; heti kun
- **because** koska
- **before** ennen kuin
- **but** koska
- **for** sillä
- **not only ... but also** ei ainoastaan ... vaan myös
- **since** sen jälkeen kun; siitä lähtien kun; koska
- **so** jotta; joten; eli
- **so that** jotta; että
- **unless** jollei; ellei
- **when** koska
- **while** sillä aikaa kun; samaan aikaan kun; vaikka

e.g.

Let me explain what has happened here **before** you get the wrong idea Nina!

Oh Carlos, I knew that you would cheat on me **as soon as** I left Brighton.

Nina, **not only** are you the most beautiful girl in the world, **but** you are **also** the smartest.

That is why I am breaking up with you, Carlos, **because** I am smart.

LINKING WORDS

- **gradually** vähitellen, hiljalleen, asteittain
- **however** kuitenkin; silti; kuitenkinkaan
- **instead** sen sijaan; sijasta
- **meanwhile** sillä aikaa; samaan aikaan; sillä välin
- **nevertheless** kuitenkin, kumminkin; sentään
- **on the one hand – on the other hand** toisaalta – toisaalta
- **on the contrary /contrary to** kun taas; päinvastoin
- **similarly** samalla tavoin, samoin; yhtä lailla
- **subsequently** myöhemmin; jälkeen pain; sitten
- **therefore** siksi; sen takia; joten
- **yet** silti; huolimatta; kuitenkinkaan

e.g.

I liked reading and I **therefore** preferred to spend my free time indoors. **However**, I couldn't be indoors all the time, so I went jogging every now and then. **Gradually**, and quite by accident, I found that I could run further and further. Now I'm running marathons **instead** of reading books.