

List of Useful Adjectives

Positive Feelings				Negative Feelings			
admirable amazing amusing appreciative astonishing brave brilliant calm charming cheerful clever comical confident courageous dedicated delightful dependable determined devoted dynamic eager enchanting encouraged	energetic enjoyable enthusiastic excellent exceptional excited extraordinary exuberant fabulous fantastic fine friendly fun good good-humoured good-natured gracious grateful great gutsy happy healthy	honest honourable humorous incredible inspirational joyous jubilant keen kind likable lovely loving lucky magnificent marvellous mild-mannered nice outstanding overjoyed passionate peaceful pleasant pleasurable	plucky positive praiseworthy proud relaxing reliable relieved respectable sincere splendid superb superior terrific thankful tremendous trustworthy truthful unbelievable unexpected uplifting witty wonderful	aggressive aloof angry annoyed anxious arrogant ashamed awful big-headed boastful bone-idle boring bossy callous cantankerous careless chaotic clinging clumsy compulsive confused conservative cowardly	cruel cunning cynical deceitful defeated defiant disgusted dishonest domineering embarrassed envious finicky foolish frightened fussy greedy grumpy impatient impolite impulsive inconsiderate indecisive interfering	irresponsible jealous lazy lonely materialistic mean misery moody mystified narrow-minded nasty naughty nervous obsessive overcritical overemotional pessimistic pompous possessive quick-tempered resentful rude	ruthless sarcastic secretive self-centred selfish silly sneaky slingy stubborn stupid tactless thoughtless timid touchy unkind unpredictable unreliable untrustworthy vain vengeful vulgar weak-willed
Size		People		Objects		Time	
average big broad colossal deep enormous flat giant gigantic		adorable adventurous aggressive annoying beautiful bony brave cautious clumsy		aerodynamic angular bent blinding bulbous bright chunky clean clear		ancient annual brief brisk daily early eternal fast first	

Adverbs describe a verb, an adjective or another adverb. **Adverb + suffix -ly**; how something is done. *Example; quick → quickly, slow → slowly, polite → politely*

✓ Abruptly	✓ Cheaply	✓ Energetically	✓ Gently	✓ Madly	✓ Pleasingly	✓ Solidly
✓ Absently	✓ Carelessly	✓ Extremely	✓ Greedily	✓ Meaningfully	✓ Poorly	✓ Stingily
✓ Accusingly	✓ Certainly	✓ Especially	✓ Guiltily	✓ Mentally	✓ Powerfully	✓ Stubbornly
✓ Actually	✓ Clearly	✓ Exactly	✓ Harshly	✓ Messily	✓ Properly	✓ Suspiciously
✓ Adversely	✓ Closely	✓ Excitedly	✓ Heartily	✓ Mostly	✓ Proudly	✓ Thoroughly
✓ Amazingly	✓ Commonly	✓ Expertly	✓ Heavily	✓ Nearly	✓ Queerly	✓ Thoughtfully
✓ Angrily	✓ Coolly	✓ Fairly	✓ Helplessly	✓ Neatly	✓ Quickly	✓ Tremendously
✓ Arrogantly	✓ Correctly	✓ Famously	✓ Immediately	✓ Nervously	✓ Rapidly	✓ Truthfully
✓ Bashfully	✓ Crossly	✓ Ferociously	✓ Increasingly	✓ Nicely	✓ Ravenously	✓ Understandingly
✓ Beautifully	✓ Dearly	✓ Finally	✓ Innocently	✓ Outwardly	✓ Reassuringly	✓ Unfairly
✓ Boldly	✓ Delightfully	✓ Freely	✓ Jokingly	✓ Passionately	✓ Reluctantly	✓ Unhappily
✓ Brightly	✓ Desperately	✓ Fully	✓ Knowingly	✓ Perfectly	✓ Sadly	✓ Unwillingly
✓ Calmly	✓ Determinedly	✓ Generally	✓ Lightly	✓ Perpetually	✓ Scarcely	✓ Viciously
✓ Carefully	✓ Doggedly	✓ Generously	✓ Loudly	✓ Playfully	✓ Selfishly	✓ Wholly

DIALOGUE RULES, WORKSHEET, AND WRITING ASSIGNMENT What is dialogue? It is conversation between characters in a story and is very important to add interest to the piece and to move the plot forward. There are some rules to dialogue, however, that you want to make sure you know.

RULE #1: A direct quotation begins with a capital letter.

Jimmy shouted, "See you at the game!" "Is it true?" asked Cindy.

RULE #2: When a quotation is interrupted into two parts with words like "he asked" or "the teacher demanded," the second part begins with a lower case letter.

"What are some of the things," Mrs. Baskin inquired, "that make school so much fun?" "One thing I like," replied Sarah, "is recess!"

RULE #3: When writing dialogue, all punctuation marks at the end of the quotation go inside the quotation marks.

"Let's visit the museum," suggested Samantha. Jon replied, "Didn't we go there last weekend?" "But when we did," Beth added, "we didn't see the Ancient Egyptian exhibit."

RULE #4: Do not put a period at the end of a quotation followed by things like *she said, mom asked, he explained, etc.* Use commas, question marks, and exclamation marks but not periods. Periods end sentences.

"My Algebra class is driving me crazy!" Paul yelled. "That's my favorite class," Becky replied.

RULE #5: Make a new paragraph (indent) when a different person begins to speak.

"Last night, I dreamt that I ate a giant marshmallow," Kevin said. "Was that anything like the dream you had about eating your way through a mountain of fruit cocktail?" asked Suzy.

"Scarier," Kevin explained. "This time I woke up and my pillow was gone."

OTHER REMINDERS: -Always make it clear who is speaking in the dialogue. -Try to avoid using the word "said" repeatedly.

Plot Diagram for _____

9. _____
8. _____
7. _____
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4. _____
3. _____
2. _____
1. _____

Climax:

10. _____
11. _____
12. _____
13. _____

Falling Action
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← **Rising Action**

Resolution:

Exposition

Protagonist:
Antagonist:
Setting – Time:
Setting – Place:
Internal Conflict:
External Conflict:

Author's Theme:
Symbolism:
Foreshadowing:
Irony:

Name _____

Transition Words and Phrases

Size Transitions: The largest, Larger than, The smallest, The small-sized, The tallest, The next largest, Equal to, The next smallest, The medium-sized, The shortest, The smallest, Smaller than, The largest, The large-sized

Time Transitions: First, Now, At the beginning of, Thereafter, By this time, Before Then, Soon, In the middle of, Presently, At the same time, In the meantime, Next, Then, At the end of, After a short time, At that instant, Meanwhile, At last, Later, Soon thereafter, Immediately, During, Simultaneously, After Afterwards

First, In the morning, Yesterday, The first Second, Before noon, Today, A more recent, Third, In the afternoon, Tomorrow, The most recent, Finally, In the evening, The day after tomorrow,

In the past, The next day, This year, The earliest, In the present, Two weeks later, Next year, The next earliest In the future, Six months later, In the next few years, The most recent

Space Transitions: behind, on the edge of, beside, in front of, west of, high over, toward, around, facing east of, against, under, throughout, near, in back of, north of, alongside, below, to the right of, side by side, in the center, south of, ahead of, beneath, to the left of, close to, inside, at the, here, low down, on top of, next to, outside, in there, on the bottom, at the top, down, at the end of, on, beyond, on the corner, by, up, between, above, farther on

Importance Transitions: The best, The most important, The first, The best, The next best, Equally important, More important than, The next best, The least best, The next important, More important, The worst, The least important

Chain-Link Transitions: On the one hand, One example of, In the first place, In other words, The first On the other hand, For instance, In the second place, In fact, The second, Another example, In the third place, Additionally, The third, Again, A further example, Besides, For example, Moreover, For instance, One, Because, First, Another, Since, Second, Still another, A further, As, Third, In addition, Further, Still, Specifically, In the same way, Furthermore, While, More specifically, In fact, Instead, In particular, The opposite of ___ is ___ , Lastly, The last Indeed, As a result, On the contrary, Similar to ___ is ___ , Last, Although, Consequently, To the contrary, Similarly, Nevertheless, Even though, Naturally, In contrast, Likewise, Nonetheless, Even if, After all, In spite of, Despite the

Concluding Transitions: To conclude, In sum, To sum up, As you can see, In conclusion, In brief, To summarize, As a result, In summary, In short, Thus, Finally, Therefore,

Commonly Used Transition Words and Phrases for Expository Essay

Beginning (beginning of the **second** paragraph) First, To begin with, The first reason, For one thing, To illustrate the point, You see, In fact, Obviously,

Middle (the beginning of the **third** paragraph) Next, Obviously, Secondly, Second, My second reason, Once again, Additionally, In addition, Along with, Again, Likewise, Moreover, In the same manner, Similarly,

End (the beginning of the **fourth** paragraph) Next, Lastly, Finally, The last reason, The final reason Once again,

Conclusion (the **final** paragraph) In conclusion, Thus, Therefore, As a result, To summarize, Finally, Consequently, By this time, To sum up one's thoughts, Now that