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Lesson Objective:

To improve students' coherence skills as well as their vocabulary in terms of connecting words.

Section One

Transition words: match the transition word/phrase with the correct usage and provide an example in a sentence.

Transition WORD	INDICATES
1. To illustrate	A. Indicates that something happens at the same time; simultaneously.
2. In a nutshell	B. Used for changing the line of reasoning (show contrast)
3. Analogous to	C. Used to Show Cause and Effect. (From this time on or from that time on.)
4. Yet	D. Used to Indicate Purpose
5. Henceforth	E. Used for giving examples.
6. To this end	F. Indicates contrast or opposition.
7. Concurrently	G. Used for indicating a similarity or to make a comparison.
8. Nevertheless	H. Used for summarizing.

Section Two

5. A fake weekend

Directive: the teacher will select 5 random letters in a random order and give it to one student and have him/her tell a fake weekend story based on those images. (The story must be finished within 3 mins max.) Students are forbidden to use "and" or "then" to connect the stories. (Check page 2 for more transition words)



Consider these points:

- Who
- Where
- What
- Why
- When
- How



Previously taught power words:

Transition WORD	INDICATES
As it were	It means "in fact, if not in deed." The statement to which it applies may not be the literal truth, but it's not far from it.
By the same token	Used to indicate "for the same reason" or "in the same way."
Incidentally	Used when a person has something more to say, or is about to add a remark unconnected to the current subject; by the way.
Strangely enough	Used to remark that something is surprising but true
Thereafter	Indicates sequence. (after that)
In essence	Used to summarize.
An instance of this	Used to indicate example or illustration.
Thereupon	Indicates consequence (immediately after what was mentioned as a result)
Though	Indicates that something happens despite what was said previously.
For instance	ILLUSTRATION
While	CONTRAST or OPPOSITION
In other words	RESTATE
To conclude (with)	SUMMARIZE
In (the) light of	CONSIDERING
For the most part	GENERALIZATION
To begin with	SEQUENCE
Likewise	SIMILARITY
Consequently	CONSEQUENCE
In like manner	SIMILARITY or COMPARISON
Nonetheless	CONTRAST or OPPOSITION
That is to say	CLARIFICATION, SIMPLIFICATION, OR EXPLANATION
Thus (formal)	CONSEQUENCE
In brief	SUMMARIZE
Furthermore	ADDITION
Due to	REASON
To demonstrate	ILLUSTRATION
Meanwhile	SEQUENCE
Hence	As a consequence; for this reason. A word used to express result.
By and large	When everything about a situation is considered together.
To say nothing of	To mention an additional thing which gives even more strength to the point you are making.



PHRASAL VERBS	MEANING
Bring (<i>somebody</i>) up	To raise a child.
Get back at (<i>somebody</i>)	To retaliate, take revenge
Give (<i>something</i>) away	To ruin a secret
Look up to (<i>somebody</i>)	To have a lot of respect for
Put up with (<i>somebody/something</i>)	To tolerate
Allow for	To take into consideration
Bank on	To base your hopes on something / someone
Brush up on	To improve, refresh one's knowledge of something
Carp On About	To keep talking about it, to keep complaining about it.
To be through	When something is over, finished or when two or more people are done with one another.
Mull (it) over	To think about it carefully; to consider or ponder about it.

IDIOMS	MEANING
Behind the times	Being old-fashioned.
Jump off the page	Something that stands out.
Jump the gun	To do something too soon.
On the rocks	A relationship experiencing problems.
Storm in a tea cup	Exaggerate a problem.
Time flies	When time passes quickly.
Snowed under	Having too much to do.
Tough cookie	A very determined person.
Top banana	The chief person in a group.
Old hand	A person with a lot of experience in something.
Tickled pink	To be immensely happy.
Head over heels	To be very much in love with someone.
Jump through hoops	To go through lots of effort to make something happen.
Chase rainbows	To try to achieve the impossible.
Nest egg	Money that has been saved up.
Beat the clock	Succeed in something before the time is up.
Face the music	To endure an unpleasant situation that was created by someone else.
The bottom of the ninth	(Baseball reference) it means that you're rather desperate and running out of time and options.

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