**TRANSITIONAL EXPRESSIONS**

**TO BUILD COHERENCE BETWEEN IDEAS**

*COMPARE:* also, and, besides, in addition, similarly, too,

*CONTRAST*: Although, but, however, instead, nevertheless, otherwise, yet

*CAUSE AND EFFECT*: as a result, because, consequently, so, therefore, thus

*SHOW TIME*: after, before, eventually, finally, first, meanwhile, then, when

*SHOW PLACE*: above, across, around, beyond, from, here, in, on, over, there, to, under

*SHOW IMPORTANCE*: first, last, mainly, then, to begin with

\*\*Don’t pick transition at random. Select them so that they are “authentic.” That means to choose transitions that show how ideas are related to each other.

**DIRECT REFERENCES:**

Link back to previous idea with a “direct reference” to some part of it:

“Not only are the wolves in Yellowstone a protected species, so are the bison.”

\*\*Try to use a combination of different transitions and direct references.