

# Level 3 Writing: Linking Words & Phrases for Paragraphs – Answers

## Identify Linking Words and Phrases

Grab a highlighter, coloured pencil or pen, and highlight the linking words and phrases within the paragraph below:

The scorching hot sun beat down on the paving stones weaving through the garden. **As** the sun shone, the wind danced lazily through the top tendrils of the hollyhocks and sweetpeas. **As a result**, the wind carried a delicate perfume – the smell of summer. **While** nature played, the children frolicked by the small pond at the end of the garden. **However**, the frogs that lived in that pond were less-than-excited by the noise and disruption the children brought. **Nevertheless**, for everyone in the garden, it was a perfect summer's day.

## Choose Linking Words and Phrases

For each of the purposes below, give an example of a linking word or phrase that could be used to suit that purpose:

1. To list ideas in order: *first/ly, second/ly, finally, eventually*
2. To give an example: *for example, such as, in particular*
3. To contrast points: *in contrast, however, instead, rather, but*
4. To compare points: *similarly, likewise, additionally, equally, in comparison*
5. To give a result: *therefore, as a result, consequently, hence, for this reason, thus*
6. To highlight a point: *in particular, mainly, specifically, for this reason, in this case*
7. To acknowledge a different point: *nevertheless, despite, although, however, rather, instead, regardless*

## Understand Linking Words and Phrases

Answer the questions below to show your understanding of linking words and phrases:

1. Why should you use a linking word or phrase?

*To link your ideas together and give signposts to your reader.*

2. What is the effect of using linking words and phrases in your writing?

*Your writing flows better and your meaning is clearer to your reader.*

3. You can use a linking word or phrase *within* a paragraph or *between* paragraphs.