

# LINKING WORDS

**With structure & examples**



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## Opening & first paragraph:

### **Nowadays (+ sj + vb):**

Nowadays time is money.

### **At present (+ sj +vb):**

At present education is all.

### **To begin with, (+ sj + vb):**

To begin with, nobody is perfect.

### **It is well-known (+ that + sj +vb):**

It's well-known that war is dangerous.

### **Nobody can discuss (+ that + sj +vb):**

Nobody can discuss that kids are funny.

### **Have you ever wondered... (wh- + sj +vb)?:**

Have you ever wondered why people never buy online?

### **Everybody knows (+ sj + vb):**

Everybody know that time is money.

### **There is no doubt that (+ sj + vb):**

There is no doubt that parents lack time.

### **If you ask me, (+ suj + vb):**

If you ask me, the city is the best place.

## Express personal opinion:

### **From my point of view, (+ sj + vb):**

From my point of view, it's the funniest.

### **In my opinion, (+ sj +vb):**

In my opinion, anyone can do it.

### **I reckon (+ sj + vb):**

I reckon (that) a good restaurant needs one.

### **From my side, (+ sj +vb):**

From my side, practice makes perfect.

### **What I think is (+ that + sj +vb):**

What I think is that kids lack help.

### **As far as I am concerned, (+sj +vb)?:**

As far as I am concerned, pollution is the worst.

### **Don't you think that (+ sj + vb)?:**

Don't you think that time is money?.

### **I'd like to point out that (+ sj + vb):**

I'd like to point out that nobody does it.

### **The way I see it, (+ suj + vb):**

The way I see it, if you wish to master English, you need to study regularly.

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## Contrast opposite ideas:

### **On the other hand, (+ sj + vb)**

On the other hand, you can't always do it.

### **Whereas (+ sj +vb):**

Whereas time is important, money isn't less.

### **While (+ sj + vb):**

While I also believe it, I can't support it.

### **Although/Even though (+ sj +vb):**

Although I prefer those, I must accept this.

### **However, (+ that + sj +vb):**

However, football is not unique.

### **Nevertheless,/Nonetheless, (+ sj +vb):**

Nevertheless/Nonetheless, schools prefer old teachers to young ones.

### **Yet, (+ sj + vb):**

Yet, every working hour is important.

### **On the contrary, (+ sj + vb):**

On the contrary, people won't accept it.

### **Even so (+ suj + vb):**

Even so, spending less is not a solution.

## Contrast opposite ideas:

### **Despite + S.Nominal [(Adj) + Noun]/ +V.ING:**

Despite the (cold) weather, we went out.

Despite the weather being cold, (...)

### **In spite of, + S.Nominal [(Adj) + Nn]:**

In spite of the (cold) weather, we went out.

### **Otherwise (+ sj + vb):**

Never bath after lunch. Otherwise, you will get sick.

### **But (+ sj +vb):**

I loved all but the blue one/ I did it, but I had no idea.

### **Even if (+ that + sj +vb):**

Even if it's late, we will attend.

### **Instead, (+ suj + vb):**

He didn't attend class. Instead, he slept.

### **Unlike (+ suj + vb):**

Unlike her mother, she loved reading

### **Despite the fact that (+ sj + vb):**

Despite the fact that it was raining, she went to the beach.

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## Put examples:

### **For example, (+ sj + vb):**

On the other hand, you can't always do it.

### **For instance, (+ sj +vb):**

Whereas time is important, money isn't less.

### **As an example, I can say (+ compl):**

While I also believe it, I can't support it.

### **Let's say/take... (+ compl):**

Although I prefer those, I must accept this.

### **However, (+ that + sj +vb):**

However, football is not unique.

### **...particularly...(+ sj +vb/object):**

I love dogs, particularly when they are sleeping/the big ones.

### **...specifically... (+ sj + vb/object):**

I hate cats, specifically in summer/the grey ones.

### **Take (subj) as an example:(+ sj + vb):**

Take Spain as an example: it is really dry.

### **To illustrate (+ suj + vb):**

To illustrate this, imagine a sunny beach.

## Sum up:

### **As I have said, (+ sj + vb):**

As I have said, these are the best solutions to improve your learning.

### **As shown/stated above, (+ sj +vb):**

As shown above, all music may help.

### **To sum up, (+ sj + vb):**

To sum up, any language is useful.

### **To make it short, (+ sj +vb):**

To make it short, you only live once.

### **Therefore, (+ sj +vb):**

Therefore we must accept it as a part of life.

### **On the whole (+ sj +vb)..., but also (+sj + vb)\*:**

On the whole, any sport is good for you.

### **In short, (+ sj + vb):**

In short, take it or leave it, but decide.

### **Summing up, (+ sj + vb):**

Summing up, everyone can participate.

### **In brief, (+ suj + vb):**

Besides the topics stated, it is really fun!

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## Generalizing:

### **All in all, (+ sj + vb):**

All in all, the best for you is this.

### **On the whole, (+ sj +vb):**

On the whole, it was a great party.

### **In most cases, (+ sj + vb):**

Wht.

### **Generally speaking, (+ sj + vb):**

Alt.

### **However, (+ that + sj +vb):**

However, football is not unique.

### **Mostly (+sj + vb/ +compl):**

I buy a lot of dolls, mostly in second hand markets.

### **Broadly speaning, (+ sj + vb):**

Broadly speaking, almos everyone likes it.

### **As a rule (+ sj + vb):**

As a rule, all clowns make me sad/Clowns make me sad as a rule.

### **To a great extent (+ suj + vb):**

To a great extent, nobody prefers cats to dogs.

## Add similar ideas:

### **On the one hand, (+ sj + vb):**

On the one hand, yoga is very good for you.

### **In addition, (+ sj +vb):**

In addition, it is not very expensive.

### **Moreover, (+ sj + vb):**

Moreover, it can help your breath.

### **Not to mention that (+ sj +vb):**

Not to mention that kids also like it.

### **And we mustn't let aside (+ that + sj +vb):**

And we mustn't let aside all its benefits.

### **Not only (+ sj +vb)..., but also (+sj + vb)\*:**

It is not only crucial but also a good idea.

### **What is more, (+ sj + vb):**

What's more, you can do it alone.

### **Furthermore, (+ sj + vb):**

Furthermore, it will fit your schedule.

### **Besides, (+ suj + vb):**

Besides the topics stated, it is really fun!

### **Similarly,... (+ suj + vb):**

She finished soon. Similarly, she did everything fast.

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## Expressing purpose:

### **To (+ v. INF):**

I went to the party to have fun.

### **In order to (+ v. INF) - more formal:**

I went to the party in order to have fun.

### **So as to (+ v. INF):**

I went to the party so as to have fun.

### **So (that) + compl + aux/modal verb + v.inf:**

I bought a book so that she could read.

I will buy a book so that she can/will read.

### **For + compl + to + v. INF:**

I bought a book for you to read.

### **With the intention to (+v. INF):**

I bought a book with the intention to read it.

### **In order that (+ sj + vb):**

I went to the beach in order that we could bath.

### **With the aim of (+ v-ING):**

I went to the beach with the aim of relaxing.

### **Lest (= so that ...not):**

I put the cat inside lest it should escape.

## Reason & Result:

### **Therefore, (+ sj + vb):**

She didn't like it. Therefore, she didn't buy.

### **That's why, (+ sj +vb):**

Nobody came, that's why I didn't stay.

### **Because of (+ S.Nominal):**

I won't go out because of the heavy rain.

### **Because (+ sj + vb):**

I didn't go out because it was raining.

### **Due to (+ S.Nominal):**

I didn't go out due to the heavy rain.

### **Owing to (+ S.Nominal):**

I didn't go out owing to the heavy rain.

### **As (+ sj + vb):**

I didn't play outside as it has raining.

### **Since (+ sj + vb):**

Since the weather was nice, I went out.

### **For (+ suj + vb):**

I didn't leave the house for it was raining.

### **So (+ sj + vb):**

I hadn't listened to the instructions, so I couldn't do the exercise.

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## Clarifying:

### **In other words, (+suj +vb):**

In other words, I won't do it.

### **That is to say (+sj + vb):**

That is to say, nobody liked it.

### **When it comes to (+ sj + vb / S.Nominal):**

When it comes to the hotel, I must check.

### **What I mean is (+sj + vb):**

What I mean is that it is too expensive.

### **What I am trying to say is (+sj + vb):**

What I am trying to say is that it's too expensive.

### **Regarding...(+ S.Nominal):**

Regarding that issue, it's my last word.

### **With regards to: (+ S.Nominal):**

With regards to your award, you will keep it.

### **Put (it) another way (+ sj +vb):**

Put it another way, she can't come along.

### **Let alone (that + sj + vb):**

He cheated on her, let alone the way he was treating her.

## Condition:

### **If (+suj +vb):**

If you don't like it, throw it away.

### **Unless (+sj + vb affirmative):**

Throw it away unless you like it.

### **Whether (+sj +vb/ to +v. INF):**

Whether it's cheap or expensive, buy it.

I don't know whether to buy it (or not).

### **What if... (+sj + vb)?:**

What if the car doesn't start?

### **Suppose that/Supposing that (+sj + vb)?:**

Suppose that the car doesn't start.

### **In case (+ sj + vb):**

Take an umbrella in case it rains.

### **In case of: (+ S.Nominal):**

Take an umbrella in case of rainy weather.

### **As long as (+ sj +vb):**

As long as it's cheap, buy it

### **Provided/Providing that (+ sj + vb):**

Providing that the price is cheap, you can buy it.