

## Transitions: The Glue That Holds Your Essay Together

There are four types of transitions to focus on temporarily.

A. Transitions which signal **additional information**: The writer is presenting one (or more) idea(s) that continues along the same line of thought.

for example

for instance

last of all

in addition

first (first of all)

second (secondly)

third (thirdly)

next

finally

Read the following examples and add one of the transitions above to indicate a transition which will provide additional information. Use a transition only once. Punctuate each sentence appropriately.

1.     **Last of all**      Cassie put on her swimsuit.
2.                                       we should eat fruits and vegetables, so we can be healthy.
3.                                       the contestant was crowned.
4.                                       we arrived at the carnival and bought cotton candy.
5.                                       we ate birthday cake, then I opened my presents.
6.                                       she measured the cold milk.
7.                                       the teacher opened the door, and everyone shouted, "Happy Birthday!"
8.                                       I blew out the candles.
9.                                       the baby blue jay flew from the nest.