Worksheet for Transition Words

Ready to practice using transition words and phrases? Remember, they link sentences together smoothly. Let's begin with two quick examples before you test your skills.

EXAMPLE (the transition words are in bold in these sentences):

- First, I went to school. Then, I played at the park.
- I went to the movie, **even though** everyone said it was scary.

PART A. Underline the correct transition word in the following sentences:

- 1. (Because, Before) it was raining, I didn't walk my dog this evening.
- 2. I love chocolate, (although, so) I eat chocolate candy whenever I can.
- 3. The test was really hard. (Therefore, Then), only five students passed it.
- 4. First, you have to answer the questions (next, so) you hand in your paper.
- 5. Ben needs to go to bed early. (Although, Otherwise), he will be late for school.
- 6. You will see a big tree; (further on, however) you will see a fork in the road.
- 7. He really loves reading. (Despite, In fact), he reads almost all the time.
- 8. That would not be smart. (Despite, In other words), that would be idiotic.
- 9. (Over, Among) the trees of the forest, the deer ran gracefully.
- 10. You are always late. (On the other hand, Like), you can be trusted.

PART B. Fill in the blanks with the transitional word or phrase that fits best:

	after all	finally	despite	in front of	in any event		
•	We need a meeting place the fountain is a good spot.						
	2. We ha	2. We have been waiting in line 45 minutes we can buy our tick					
	3	3 the high cost of the ticket, I am going to the concert.					
	4. I am h	. I am his biggest fan;, I have all of his albums.					
	5	, I will thoroughly enjoy the show.					

ANSWER KEY:

PART A

- 1. Because
- 2. So
- 3. Therefore
- 4. Next
- 5. Otherwise
- 6. Further on
- 7. In fact
- 8. In other words
- 9. Among
- 10. On the other hand

PART B

- 1. In front of
- 2. Finally
- 3. Despite
- 4. After all
- 5. In any event