Chronological/Sequence

Signal or Transition Words

first, second…  next  not long after
initially  then  before
following  when  finally
preceding  after  on (date)
Description/Enumeration

Transition Words

for instance  for example  to illustrate
such as  in addition  also
another  furthermore

Caution – some sequence transition words are also used in description
Compare and Contrast

Signal or Transition Words

different from
as opposed to
compared with
either...or

same as
instead of
however
unless

similar to
although
as well as
but
Cause and Effect

Signal or Transition Words

consequently  may be due to  since
this led to...so  nevertheless  if...then
accordingly  because of  yet
as a result of  in order to  also
for this reason  not only...but  because
Problem and Solution

Signal or Transition Words

the problem is  the question is
a solution  one answer is
therefore  if...then