

What are Time and Sequencing Connectors?

Worksheet

Time and sequencing connectors are words and phrases (then, next, finally, meanwhile, subsequently) that show the temporal order and logical progression of events or ideas in writing.

Questions

1. Which connector best shows what happens after an event?
A) meanwhile
B) then
C) during
D) at the beginning
2. What is the purpose of connectors like meanwhile and during?
A) End a narrative
B) Show simultaneous action
C) Begin a topic
D) Emphasize importance
3. Which is more formal?
A) then
B) next
C) subsequently
D) after that
4. Which connector would you use to conclude?
A) initially
B) meanwhile
C) finally
D) next
5. Write a sequence using first, then, finally.
6. Use meanwhile and subsequently to show parallel and following actions.
7. Combine during and last of all to connect events.
8. Define: What do time connectors do?
9. Define: Examples of sequence connectors
10. Define: Purpose of meanwhile, during, at the same time

Answer Key

1. B) then — Then, next, subsequently, afterward all show sequence/what comes after.
2. B) Show simultaneous action — They highlight actions or events occurring at the same time.
3. C) subsequently — Subsequently is academic/formal; others are conversational.
4. C) finally — Finally, ultimately, in the end, and last of all conclude narratives.
5. First, she woke up early. Then, she prepared breakfast. Finally, she left for work.
6. Meanwhile, John studied for his exam. Subsequently, he attended the conference.
7. During the presentation, the audience listened carefully. Last of all, they asked questions.
8. Show the temporal order and logical flow of events in writing.
9. First, next, then, finally, subsequently, last of all, in the end.
10. Show actions or events happening at the same time (simultaneous).

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