

Sentence Starters

To describe:

The diagram shows...
The map shows...
The picture shows...
The graph shows...
It shows...

To explain:

This happens because...
This demonstrates...
The processes causing this are...
Therefore...
This maybe because...

To give opinions:

I feel...
I believe...
In my opinion...
It would seem that...
I suggest...

To give examples:

For example...
Such as...
For instance...
To illustrate...
...as an example...

To add ideas:

Also...
As well as...
Furthermore...
More importantly...
Equally important...
In addition...

To connect ideas:

At first... then...
Secondly...
This is linked to...
As a result...
For that reason...
The effect is...

To compare and contrast:

Similarly...
In the same way...
However...
Then again...
In contrast...
This is in contrast to...

To summarize

In conclusion...
In summary...
In conclusion...
Overall...
Therefore...
Ultimately...

To show sequence/process: Firstly... Secondly... Thirdly...

To start with... Lastly... Finally... Eventually... Next... Meanwhile... Afterwards... Results in...

Connectives

and but if yet so also like

therefore because however although whereas instead otherwise