**Transition Tools**

Use the below transitions to assist you in your writing. It is important to vary the sentence beginning. Depending on the type of sentence, select the appropriate sentence starter.

| **Introductory Phrases** | In my opinion…  
|                        | It is my belief that…  
|                        | From my own point of view…  
|                        | Quote, I agree/disagree…  
|                        | There is no doubt that…  
|                        | It seems to me that…  
|                        | I question whether…  
|                        | I maintain that…  |
| **Introducing Evidence** | For example…  
|                        | For instance…  
|                        | In support of this…  
|                        | First…second…  
|                        | In fact…  
|                        | as evidence…  
|                        | which is supported by…  
|                        | as evidenced by…  |
| **To Explain & Justify Evidence** | Furthermore…  
|                        | As you can see…  
|                        | Obviously…  
|                        | It is clear that…  
|                        | **(Source)** suggested/promoted/believed…  
|                        | For this reason…  
|                        | In addition…  
|                        | Also…  
|                        | Last…  
|                        | Besides…  
|                        | Next…  
|                        | Moreover…  
|                        | Further…  
|                        | Again…  
|                        | Similarly…  |
| **Showing Cause & Effect** | As a result of…  
|                        | Because of…  
|                        | ___ was responsible for…  
|                        | **(Evidence)** leads to…  
|                        | ___ was brought about by…  
|                        | As might be expected…  
|                        | If… then…  
|                        | In effect…  
|                        | Since…  
|                        | ____gave rise to …  
|                        | Accordingly…  
|                        | For this reason…  
|                        | Therefore…  
|                        | ____ was caused by…  |
| **Counter-Argument** | On the other hand…  
|                        | **(Source)** believes…, however…  
|                        | Even though…  
|                        | **(Source)** thought **(quote)** however…  
|                        | I realize that **(source)** believes… however I wonder…  
|                        | Although **(source)** believes…  
|                        | Despite the fact that…  
|                        | **(Source)'s** ideas that ____ deserves some merit, however…  
|                        | Arguably…  |
| **Concluding Phrases** | For the reasons above…  
|                        | In conclusion…  
|                        | In other words…  
|                        | As you can see…  
|                        | Undoubtedly…  
|                        | To sum up…  
|                        | In summary…  
|                        | In short…  
|                        | Without question…  |