

## CONNECTORS to use in your PIECES of WRITING

USE	CONNECTORS	SPANISH MEANING	EXAMPLES
Indicar una <i>secuencia</i> o <i>enumerar</i> puntos	<i>In the beginning...</i>	Al principio ...	- <i>In the beginning</i> of the Snowwhite tale, the Queen was a beautiful woman.
	<i>To begin with, ... + oración</i>	Para empezar, ...	- Let's solve the problem. <i>To begin with</i> , we must wake up much earlier.
	<i>(At) First, ... / Firstly, ... + oración</i>	Primero, ...	- <i>Firstly</i> , I got up and had breakfast.
	<i>Second, ... / Secondly, ... + oración</i>	Segundo, ...	- <i>Secondly</i> , I had a shower.
	<i>Third, ... / Thirdly, ... + oración</i>	Tercero, ...	- <i>Thirdly</i> , I put my clothes on.
	<i>Next, / Then, / Later, ... + oración</i>	Después, ...	- <i>Then</i> I left home and bought some gum. <i>Later</i> I went to the library. <i>Next</i> I started studying English there.
	<i>At that moment, ... + oración</i>	En ese momento, ...	- <i>At that moment</i> , my telephone rang.
	<i>Suddenly, ... / All of a sudden, ... + orac.</i>	De repente, ...	- <i>All of a sudden</i> , everybody started looking at me.
	<i>Meanwhile, ... / In the meantime, ... + or.</i>	Mientras tanto, ...	- <i>Meanwhile</i> , my telephone was still ringing and I couldn't turn it off!
	<i>After that, / Afterwards, ... + oración</i>	Después, ...	- <i>Afterwards</i> , a man came to me shouting: "YOU CAN'T BRING YOUR MOBILE PHONE HERE!"
<i>In the end, / Finally, / Eventually, ... + o.</i>	Finalmente, ...	- <i>Eventually</i> , I woke up. It all was a dream!	
<i>At last... + oración</i>	Por fin...	- <i>At last</i> I was relaxed again!	
Describir una <i>causa</i> o un <i>motivo</i>	<i>Because + oración</i>	porque...	- I never call you <i>because</i> I don't have your number.
	<i>Since + oración</i>	porque, ya que...	- <i>Since</i> you're here, could you help me cook dinner?
	<i>As + oración</i>	porque, ya que...	- <i>As</i> it was too cold outside, they decided to stay home.
	<i>Because of + sustantivo</i>	A causa de...	- <i>Because of her accident</i> , she can't walk.
	<i>Due to + sustantivo</i>	Debido a...	- <i>Due to the crisis</i> , many shops are closing these days.
<i>That's why... + oración</i>	Por eso..., Por esa razón...	- I don't have your number. <i>That's why</i> I never call you.	
Expresar <i>opiniones</i>	<i>In my opinion, / To my mind, ... + orac.</i>	En mi opinión,	- <i>In my opinion</i> , the Beatles are the best band in the history of music.
	<i>In mi view, ... / From my point of view, ...</i>	Desde mi punto de vista,	- <i>From my point of view</i> , smoking should be prohibited also in open spaces like parks, sports arenas, etc.
	<i>As far as I am concerned, ... + oración</i>	Por lo que a mí respecta,	- <i>As far as I am concerned</i> , everybody should have a place to live.
	<i>I think / believe / feel that... + oración</i>	Pienso / Creo que...	- <i>I strongly believe that</i> money is always the cause of all problems.
	<i>It seems to me (that)... + oración</i>	Me parece que...	- <i>It seems to me that</i> young people today are not interested in politics.
	<i>Personally, ... + oración</i>	Personalmente,...	- <i>Personally</i> , I am not worried about that topic.
	<i>It is clear/true that... + oración</i>	Está claro / Es cierto que...	- <i>It is clear that</i> many people are losing their jobs with the current economic situation.
	<i>I am for / in favour of... + sustantivo</i>	Estoy a favor de...	- <i>I am for</i> the introduction of inspectors in the politicians' offices.
	<i>I am against... + sustantivo</i>	Estoy en contra de...	- <i>I am totally against</i> the reforms made by the President.
	<i>I (don't) agree with... + oración</i>	(no) estoy de acuerdo con	- I don't agree with the government's economic policies.
<i>To be honest, ... + oración</i>	Para ser sincero, ...	- <i>To be honest</i> , I haven't got much information about the crisis.	
<i>Undoubtedly, ... + oración</i>	Indudablemente, ...	- <i>Undoubtedly</i> , these problems won't be solved in the next months.	
Añadir información	<i>In addition, / Furthermore, ... + oración</i>	Además, ...	- I didn't want to go the cinema. <i>In addition</i> , I hadn't got enough money.
	<i>Moreover, / Besides, ... + oración</i>	Además, ...	- I speak Spanish. <i>Moreover</i> , I can also speak English and French.
	<i>In addition to + sustantivo, ...</i>	Además <b>de</b> ...	- <i>In addition to Spanish</i> , I can also speak English and French.
	<i>Besides + sustantivo, ...</i>	Además <b>de</b> ...	- <i>Besides pasta</i> , I would also like salad and pizza for dinner.
	<i>As well as + sustantivo, ...</i>	Además <b>de</b> ...	- <i>As well as pasta</i> , I would also like salad and pizza for dinner.
	<i>Also + verbo</i>	También...	- I <i>also</i> want a piece of fruit.
<i>... too. / ... as well. (al final)</i>	también.	- Finally, I could eat a chocolate ice-cream <i>as well</i> . And a cake <i>too</i> !	

Indicar <i>propósito o finalidad</i>	<b>For</b> + sustantivo	Para...	- I am studying very hard <b>for a good grade</b> in the exam.
	<b>For</b> + gerundio ( <i>acciones generales</i> )	Para...	- This machine is <b>for cooking</b> .
	<b>(not) to</b> + infinitivo	Para (no)...	- I am studying a lot <b>to get</b> the best grades.
	<b>In order (not) to</b> + infinitivo	Para (no)...	- <b>In order not to be late</b> , we arrived at the station 3 hours early.
	<b>So as (not) to</b> + infinitivo	Para (no)...	- <b>So as to arrive</b> on time, we took a taxi.
	<b>So that</b> + oración	Para que...	- We took a taxi <b>so that we weren't late</b> .
Expresar <i>contraste o diferencia</i>	<b>But...</b>	Pero...	- I can speak Spanish and English, <b>but</b> I don't know German.
	<b>However, / Yet, / Still,...</b> + oración	Sin embargo,	- I can speak Spanish and English. <b>However</b> , I don't know German. [ <i>van detrás de punto</i> ]
	<b>Nevertheless, / Nonetheless,...</b> + oración	Sin embargo,	- We arrived to the shop at 8 pm. <b>Nevertheless</b> , it was closed already. [ <i>van detrás de punto</i> ]
	<b>Although / (Even) though</b> + oración	Aunque...	- <b>Even though I've never been to England</b> , I speak very good English.
	<b>On the contrary, / In contrast,...</b> + orac.	Por el contrario,	- <b>On the contrary</b> , I don't know anything about the British culture.
	<b>On the one hand,...</b> ... <b>On the other (hand),...</b>	Por una parte... ... por otra (parte)...	- <b>On the one hand</b> , their food is terrible. → <b>On the other hand</b> , they have very good-quality beers.
	<b>Whereas...</b> / <b>While...</b> + oración	Mientras que...	- <b>Whereas</b> I'm very interested in the history of Britain, I have never read a book about it.
	<b>All the same,...</b> + oración	A pesar de todo...	- I was very sick. <b>All the same</b> , I continued playing the football match.
	<b>In spite of</b> + sustantivo ó gerundio, ...	A pesar de...	- <b>In spite of my injure</b> , I continued playing. // <b>In spite of being sick</b> , I continued playing.
	<b>Despite</b> + sustantivo ó gerundio, ...	A pesar de...	- <b>Despite my injure</b> , I continued playing. // <b>Despite being sick</b> , I continued playing.
	<b>In spite of / Despite the fact that</b> + orac.	A pesar de que...	- <b>In spite of the fact that I was sick</b> , I continued playing.
Describir <i>semejanza</i>	<b>Similarly,...</b> / <b>Likewise,...</b> + oración	Igualmente, ...	- I don't understand what you're saying. <b>Likewise</b> , I don't get your intention.
	<b>In the same way, ...</b> + oración	Del mismo modo, ...	- I'm not a very good pianist. <b>In the same way</b> , I'm not a very good guitarist either.
	<b>Both ... and ...</b>	Tanto ... como ...	- <b>Both</b> Lennon <b>and</b> McCartney were born in Liverpool.
Decir de <i>otra forma</i>	<b>That is (to say),</b> + oración	Es decir,	- I have insomnia. <b>That is to say</b> , I can't sleep at nights.
	<b>In other words,</b> + oración	En otras palabras,	- Paul is a kleptomaniac. <b>In other words</b> , he really needs to steal things.
Describir un <i>resultado</i>	<b>So...</b> / <b>Thus...</b> (el último es <b>muy</b> formal)	Así que...	- Mike didn't study much, <b>so</b> he failed all his exams.
	<b>Therefore, ...</b> + oración	Por lo tanto, ...	- Mike didn't study much. <b>Therefore</b> , he failed all his exams. [ <i>va detrás de punto</i> ]
	<b>As a result, / As a consequence, ...</b> + or.	Por consiguiente...	- Ana used to smoke a lot. <b>As a consequence</b> , she always has respiratory problems.
	<b>For this reason, ...</b> + oración	Por esta razón, ...	- I am afraid of the sea. <b>For this reason</b> , I always spend my holidays in the mountain.
Cambiar <i>enfoque, dar hechos</i>	<b>In fact, / As a matter of fact, ...</b> + oración	De hecho, ...	- I'm not very good at sports. <b>In fact</b> , I hate running!
	<b>Actually, ...</b> + oración	En realidad, ...	- Tony is very young, but <b>actually</b> he's very mature for his age.
Hablar <i>en general</i>	<b>In general,...</b> / <b>Generally,...</b> + oración	En general, ...	- <b>Generally</b> , people in Spain speak Spanish.
	<b>As a (general) rule,...</b> + oración	Por regla general, ...	- <b>As a general rule</b> , dogs are not allowed in this building.
Poner <i>ejemplos</i>	<b>For example,...</b> / <b>For instance,...</b>	Por ejemplo, ...	- I like indoor activities. <b>For instance</b> , I love reading, watching TV and playing the guitar.
	<b>Such as ... and/or ...</b> + sustantivo(s)	Tal(es) como ... y/o ...	- There are paintings by some Spanish painters <b>such as</b> Goya, Dalí, <b>and</b> Velázquez.
	<b>Like ... and/or ...</b> + sustantivo(s)	Como ... y/o ...	- There are books by many Spanish writers <b>like</b> Cervantes, Lope de Vega, Góngora <b>or</b> Quevedo.
	<b>Particularly, / In particular,...</b> ..., <b>and so on.</b>	En concreto, ... ..., etcétera.	- I'm a fan of Spanish food. <b>In particular</b> , I love the ' <i>tortilla de patatas</i> '. - Some famous people from Sanlúcar are Toñi Moreno, Natalia, Manolo Sanlúcar, Nolito, <b>and so on</b> .
Resumir o dar una <i>conclusión</i>	<b>In conclusion,...</b> + oración	En conclusión, ...	- <b>In conclusion</b> , this is a very complete list of connectors.
	<b>To sum up, / In short, / In brief, ...</b> + or.	En resumen, ...	- <b>To sum up</b> , you should study them all and practice in your pieces of writing.
	<b>All in all,...</b> / <b>On the whole, ...</b> + oración	En suma, ...	- <b>All in all</b> , it has been my pleasure to make up this list for you. Bye!