

Transition Words

Transition words help your text flow, and show readers the relationship between phrases and paragraphs. Transition words connect ideas and sentences.

To practice how to use these words, fill in the blank with words from the word box, that make sense. Sometimes there will only be one word that will work, and other times, a number of options will work.

Contrast

Unlike
Nevertheless
On the other hand
Nonetheless
Despite / in spite of
In contrast (to)
Contrary to
Whereas
Alternatively
Conversely
Even so
Differing from

English Setter, Irish Setter

There are a number of different dog breeds, and one of them is the 'setter'. Within this breed, there are a few varieties: English Setter, Irish Setter, Gordon Setter, and the Irish Red and White Setter. The English Setter can grow to 80 pounds, _____ the Irish Setter usually grows to 70 pounds. The English Setter is typically black and white, _____ the Irish Setter, who is typically reddish colour. _____ the Dalmatian who has more distinctive spots, the English Setter has more of a blended pattern. _____ the Nova Scotia Duck Toller who has an orangey-reddish hue, the Irish Setter has a more reddish-brassy colour. The English Setter was originally bred in the 1600s. _____, the Irish Setter was bred in the 1800s. _____, the English Setter was bred in English, _____ the Irish Setter which was bred in Ireland. _____, both dogs were bred to hunt birds and waterfowl.



_____ the English Setter with a lifespan of 11-15 years, the Irish Setter has a lifespan of 12-16 years. _____ smaller breeds, medium and larger dog breeds have a shorter life expectancy. The Irish Setter is known for being more vocal: _____, the English Setter is slightly quieter than the Irish Setter. Both dogs do not make good guard dogs, as they are too friendly to protect their families from strangers, _____ other dog breeds, such as a Cane Corso or Rottweiler, make much more formidable guards. _____ the English Setter, the Irish Setter is rumoured to have more energy, and needs slightly more exercise. Informally, English Setters have a better reputation for being service animals, _____ Irish Setters. Informally, _____ both being setters, the Irish Setter has a better reputation for being good with cats.