

# 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.

## Concession

Admittedly  
All the same  
Up to a point  
Even so  
In spite of  
Although/Even though  
Even if  
However

## Shelter Dog, Breeder Dog

35% of Canadian homes own a dog. \_\_\_\_\_, that's a large number. There are some very good reasons to adopt a dog from a shelter, in addition to some very good reasons to purchase a dog from a breeder. \_\_\_\_\_,



there are some differences to be aware of. The first difference is price. Usually a breeder will charge anywhere between \$1000-\$6000, \_\_\_\_\_ if the dog is not one of the most sought after breeds. A shelter will usually charge \$50-\$400 for a dog, \_\_\_\_\_ the dog is a senior, and requires expensive medication. \_\_\_\_\_ the price difference, there are some reasons why you might want to opt for a breeder dog. First, you can 'start from scratch' - you know the background of the dog. \_\_\_\_\_, there is no guarantee that you will purchase a puppy that is free from behavioural issues. Second, you know the breed line... \_\_\_\_\_. The breeder, if they are knowledgeable, reputable, and trustworthy, should be selling you a dog with a known lineage. Third, it's easier to find a puppy from a breeder, than from a shelter. \_\_\_\_\_, you can still find puppies at a shelter, if age is an important factor to you. \_\_\_\_\_ your heart is set on a breeder dog, you might want to consider a shelter dog, for a number of reasons. First, you are giving a dog a second chance. \_\_\_\_\_ they might have had a good beginning with their previous owner, they were either surrendered, abandoned, or confiscated for a reason... so you would be giving them another chance at life. Second, there are multiple age options. Puppies are fun, \_\_\_\_\_. Sometimes it's nice to buy a dog that comes potty-trained, \_\_\_\_\_ it means that you miss out on the cute puppy stage. Third, if you are buying an older or more mature dog, you get a better chance to know the adult personality of the dog, compared to buying a puppy from a breeder. \_\_\_\_\_, many dog personality traits aren't immediately evident, whether from a breeder, or shelter.