

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.

Newfoundland Dog

Canada has a few dog breeds that are worthy of mention:

_____ is the Newfoundland Dog. _____ one of the largest breeds in the world, is the Newfoundland Dog. This dog is _____ an impressive sight to behold. They were originally bred and used as working dogs for fishermen in Newfoundland, where the water is _____ cold and dangerous. _____, these dogs were bred for endurance, and a cold climate. They excel at water rescue/lifesaving because of their muscular build, thick double coat, webbed paws, and swimming abilities. They are _____ equipped for dealing with the icy waters because of their _____, no other dog compares in size and swimming ability, to this breed.

_____ there are other large and shaggy breeds, but many of those breeds are farming or mountain breeds (such as the Bernese, Leonberger, or the Great Pyrenees). Newfies are known for their giant size, intelligence, tremendous strength, calm disposition, love of children and loyalty – they are great with families, but _____ with children. _____, they are not just great working animals – they are great family pets too. Some Newfies have been known to weight over 200 pounds – that is _____ one of the 'heavier' breeds in the world. They have long shaggy hair. _____ that they are often either all black, or black and white. They are wonderfully good with children, but _____, small children can get accidentally leaned on and knocked down, due to the dogs' massive size. Newfoundlands are ideal companions in the world of therapy and are often referred to as "nanny dogs".

_____ the dog in the famous story Peter Pan was a Newfie. Newfies have some interesting health and physical considerations. _____ is their tendency to drool. Larger breeds can have heart complications, and _____, this dog is categorized as 'large'. For they are _____, large.

Emphasis

Undoubtedly

Unquestionably

Obviously

Particularly / in particular

Especially

Clearly

Importantly

Absolutely

Definitely

Without a doubt

Indeed

It should be noted

