

## Using Transition Words

Read the paragraph. Write different transition words from the box on the lines below.

However      Similarly  
In addition

Dogs and cats make great pets. They are both affectionate and cuddly. \_\_\_\_\_ they both can be trained to live indoors. \_\_\_\_\_, dogs need to go outside more often than cats do. \_\_\_\_\_, dogs seem to need more attention.

- **Transition words** connect ideas and signal changes in writing. You can often find them at the beginning of a sentence.
- Transition words, such as *similarly*, *in addition*, and *also*, show how ideas are alike.
- Transition words, such as *however* and *in contrast*, show how ideas are different.
- Transition words can also be used to show time, place, conclusions, and more.

Compare and contrast two real or imaginary musical groups. Use transition words to show how some ideas are alike and other ideas are different.

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