



Define the Relationship

Use the table of signal words below as in-text clues for reading comprehension

Signal Words	What the Word(s) Signal	How this Defines the Relationship Between Ideas
Similarly, likewise, in the same way, both	Comparison	These ideas are the same
However, but, on the other hand, in contrast, while, whereas, unlike	Contrast	These ideas are different
Because, since, due to, as a result of, in light of	Cause	This caused that
Therefore, thus, consequently, so, leads to, results in	Effect	This is a result of that
First, next, then, before, after, during, meanwhile, eventually	Sequence/Order/ Chronology	These ideas happen in a specific order
Also, additionally, furthermore, moreover, another, besides	More information	This idea(s) add to an idea that was previously shared
For example/instance, such as, specifically, in particular, including	Evidence/Examples	This idea(s) helps prove a point/argument
Most importantly, above all, especially, in fact, indeed, clearly	Importance	Pay special attention to this idea(s)
To begin, first, to start	Beginning	This is where my ideas begin
In conclusion, in summary, overall, finally, ultimately, in short	Conclusion	This idea(s) will wrap up my point(s)
The problem is, the issue, challenges include	Problem	This is what needs fixing
The solution, one way to solve, to address this	Solution	This is the solution