

## Sticking Text Together

In the simplest terms, **cohesion** is the process of linking and connecting sentences together. Cohesion is considered the relationship between two elements (clauses, words, or phrases) in written or oral text.

### co•he•sion

(kəʊˈhiːʒən) n.

1. the act or state of cohering, uniting, or sticking together.
2. the molecular force between particles within a body or substance that actsto unite them.
3. Bot. the congenitalunion of one part with another.
4. Ling. **the property of unity in speech or writing that stems from links among surface elements, as in the reference of pronouns to elements in the surrounding discourse.**

<https://www.thefreedictionary.com/cohesion>

**USEFUL PHRASES**

<p><b>Connectives</b></p> <p>although • because • but • even if • however • in order to • in spite of • provided that ... • since • so that • unless</p>	<p><b>Comparing and contrasting</b></p> <p>equally • in the same way • likewise • as well as • on the one hand ... on the other hand • unlike • in contrast to</p>
<p><b>Ordering</b></p> <p>First of all ... • I would like to begin with ... • Firstly ... , Secondly ... , Thirdly ... etc. • My main argument is ... • In addition to that ... • Furthermore ... • Finally ... • To sum up ...</p>	<p><b>Giving examples</b></p> <p>for example • for instance • by way of illustration</p>
<p><b>Adverbs of degree</b></p> <p>absolutely • almost • at least • completely • extremely • hardly • particularly • rarely • rather • really</p>	<p><b>Giving reasons</b></p> <p>as a result • consequently • therefore</p>
<p><b>Commenting</b></p> <p>actually • apparently • fortunately • in fact • in my opinion • it is true that • of course • perhaps • possibly • probably • unfortunately</p>	<p><b>Giving your conclusion/summary</b></p> <p>To sum up, ... • In short, ... • Considering all these arguments, ... • I would conclude that ... • I have come to the conclusion that ... • My suggestion is that ... • My appeal to ... is ... • Having weighed up all the arguments I would like to ...</p>

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