

Discourse Markers: Sequencing, Adding and Linking

These markers usually appear at the beginning of a sentence:

Sequencing Markers: - used to indicate the number of points being made (more common in writing)
Ex. first, second, third etc.; firstly, secondly etc.; first of all, to start, finally, last, lastly

- used to show the order of events
Ex. then, next, later, afterwards

Adding Markers: - used to add information to what has been already expressed
Ex. also (use before new information), too (use after new information), moreover, furthermore, further, in addition

Linking Markers: - to indicate information that is similar to previous information
Ex. similarly, likewise

For each sentence below, write at least three sentences to follow, using a different DISCOURSE MARKER for each.

Ex. There are several things I'd buy if I had the money. First of all, I'd buy a new computer. Then, I'd get a good stereo with big speakers. Also, I'd buy a new sofa to relax on.

1. In the future I would like to do many things. _____

2. There are a few things I don't like about (*choose any topic*). _____

3. This is my favourite way to spend a day off. _____

4. I have learned some things about Canada. _____

