EXPLANATION

¿Cuál es la diferencia entre linker y connector?

La diferencia entre ambos reside en la función que ocupan en la frase.

Por una parte, los connectors son conjunciones que unen palabras o proposiciones (partes de la oración) entre sí. Es decir, normalmente se utilizan dentro de una misma frase.

Por otra parte, los linkers son palabras o grupos de palabras que conectan frases o ideas del texto. Se sitúan al principio de la oración. Aseguran que el texto tenga una conexión lógica y guían al lector a través de él.

Realmente, conocer la diferencia no es relevante porque el significado que aportan, bien actúen como connector o como linker, es el mismo (siempre que sean iguales).

Así pues, ¡vamos a ver los linkers y connectors más importantes!

Conectores del inglés: linkers and connectors

Linkers and connectors of contrast

Se utilizan para señalar una idea contraria.

Linkers:

In spite of (+noun) Despite (+noun)	Aunque	Despite the bad weather, I will go out
Despite the fact that (+sentence)	A pesar del hecho de que	Despite the fact that the weather is bad, I will go out
However, Still, Yet, Even so,	Sin embargo,	However, I prefer the other one
Although Even though	Aunque	Although I am tired, I am going to the gym
Nevertheless, Nonetheless,	Sin embargo, / No obstante,	Nevertheless, I would love to accompany you
Whereas	Mientras que	Whereas he loves broccoli, she hates it
In contrast to Contrary to	En contraste con	In contrast to the bad service, you will have a discount in the final price
On the contrary, By contrast,	Por el contrario	On the contrary, Anne is coming
Alternatively,	Alternativamente	Alternatively, we can go to the cinema
Instead of	En lugar de	Instead of staying at home, we can go to the cinema
On the one hand, On the other hand,	Por un lado Por otro lado	On the one hand, I like the gym. On the other hand, I get too tired.

Connectors:

but yet	Pero	The book is short but interesting
in spite of (+ noun) despite (+ noun)	Aunque	He arrived on time despite getting up late
although (+ sentence) though (+ sentence) even though (+ sentence) in spite of the fact that (+ sentence)	Aunque	They passed the exam although they hadn't studied
while whereas	mientras que	This film is interesting whereas that one is boring

Linkers and connectors of addition

Se utilizan para añadir una idea, frase o palabra. **Linkers:**

Moreover, Furthermore, In addition, Besides, Additionally,	Además,	Moreover, my friend will give you a free tour
What is more,	Y lo que es más,	What's more, my friend will give you a free tour
As well as In addition to Besides	Además de	In addition to the free tour, you will receive a lunch discount
Apart from that,	Además de ello,	Apart from that, you will receive a lunch discount
On top of that,	Encima de todo,	On top of that, you will receive a gift

Connectors:

Connectors.		
in addition to besides	además (de)	She likes rap besides techno.
apart from	aparte de	We will visit the city town apart from the museum
except for	except por	We will visit all the churches except for one

Linkers and connectors of reason and cause

Se utilizan para indicar la razón o la cause de algo **Linkers:**

Because	Porque	Because you asked
		me, I will come
Since	Ya que	Since you asked me, I will come
As	Como	As you asked me, I will come
Seeing that	Viendo que	Seeing that you want me to come, I will
Because of (+noun) On account of (+noun) Owing to (+noun) Due to (+noun)	A causa de Debido a	Because of bad weather, the game was delayed
As a result of	Como resultado de	As a result of the bad weather, the game was cancelled
Thanks to	Gracias a	Thanks to your enthusiasm, we finished on time
Following	A raíz de	Following the events, my mum got angry
Given the fact that (+sentence)	Debido al hecho de que	Given the fact that the rain doesn't stop, the game will be cancelled

Connectors:

because	porque	I failed the exam because I hadn't studied
because of on account of	a causa de	The flight was delayed because of the wind
thanks to	gracias a	I went to Marrakech thanks to contest I won
for fear of	por miedo a	The train stopped for fear of crashing

Linkers and connectors of purpose

Se utilizan para indicar el propósito o la finalidad por la que se hace algo. **Linkers:**

In order to (+noun) So as to (+noun)	Para Con el fin de	In order to listening to music, I bought my earphones.
In order that (+sentence) So that (+sentence)	Para Con el fin de que	So that I can come, I bought a dress

Connectors:

in order to so as to	para con el fin de	I bought my earphone so as to listening to music
in order that	para	I bought a dress in order
so that	con el fin de que	that I can come

Linkers of result

Se utilizan para indicar un resultado.

Linkers:

As a result of (+noun)	Como resultado de	As a result of your bad behavior, you cannot go out today
Consequently,	En consecuencia,	Consequently, you will stay home
Hence, Therefore, Thus,	Por lo tanto	Hence, you can watch a film
Taking this into account, Bearing this in mind,	Teniendo esto en cuenta	Taking this into account, you are fired
For this/that reason	Por esta razón,	For this reason, you are fired

Linkers and connectors to give examples Se utilizan para ofrecer ejemplos.

Linkers:

For example, For instance,	Por ejemplo	For example, that is a palm tree
In other words,	En otras palabras,	In other words, that is a palm tree

Connectors:

that is to say, that is,	es decir	I am Anna's daughter, that is, I am Josep's sister
such as	tal como	I have several subjects such as maths.

Linkers of sequence Se utilizan para indicar la secuencia de los hechos.

Linkers:

First of all, Firstly, First, To begin with,	Antes de nada, Al principio, Para comenzar,	First of all, I have a shower
Second, Secondly,	En segundo lugar,	Secondly, I have breakfast
Later, After that, Afterwards,	Después, Después de eso,	Later, I read the newspaper
Then, Next,	Entonces, Luego, Seguidamente,	Next, I study during all morning
Finally, In the end, Last but not least,	Finalmente, Al final, Por último pero no menos importante,	Finally, I prepare lunch
To sum up, In conclusion,	En conclusión,	In conclusion, I spend all morning at home

Linkers of time

Se utilizan para indicar el momento en el que ocurren los hechos.

Linkers:

Once	Una vez que	Once I finish breakfast, I read the newspaper
After	Después	After reading the newspaper, I start studying
Prior to	Antes de	Prior to study, I read the newspaper
After that stage	Tras esa fase / período	After that stage, the food is ready
Subsequently	Posteriormente	Subsequently, I go home
As soon as	Tan pronto como	As soon as I finish my coffee, I start studying
Now that	Ahora que	Now that I am on holidays, I don't study
All of a sudden, Suddenly,	De repente	Suddenly, I found myself lost
Whenever	Siempre que	Whenever it rains, my mum bakes a cake

Connectors:

prior to before	antes de	I lived in Japan prior to living in Spain
until till	hasta que	I lived in Japan until I moved to Spain
since	desde	I have lived in Spain since 2013
for	durante	I have lived in Spain for 7 years now
while meanwhile	mientras que	I was reading while my mum was watching TV