

# PEL 131-UNIT 2

## COMMUNICATION SKILLS II



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# UNIT 2

## Usage of Connectors and Transition Words in Conversation

### I. Usage of connectors, transition words and vocabulary related to routine

#### What are connectors?

Sentence connectors are used to link ideas from one sentence to the next and to give paragraphs coherence. Sentence connectors perform different functions and are placed at the **beginning** of a sentence. They are used to introduce, order, contrast, sequence ideas, theory, data etc.

<b>However</b>	<i>This restaurant has the best kitchen in town. However, their staff members are quite rude.</i>
<b>ON THE CONTRARY</b>	<i>I don't hate Jim. On the contrary, I'm rather fond of him.</i>
<b>YET</b>	<i>I've asked you a thousand times not to leave your dirty socks on the floor. Yet, you keep doing it.</i>
<b>ALSO</b>	<i>I want to talk to Prince Harry when I'm in England. Also, I want to meet his sister-in-law.</i>
<b>THEREFORE</b>	<i>We're going to experience some meteor showers in the next few days. Therefore, the number of miraculous self-healings will rise.</i>

#### What are transition words?

Two sentences become a sentence, using **transitions words** or phrases that link sentences and paragraphs together smoothly so that there are no abrupt jumps or breaks between ideas. The features of transitional words are as follows:

- transitions are phrases or words used to connect one idea to the next
- transitions are used by the author to help the reader progress from one significant idea to the next
- transitions also show the relationship within a paragraph (or within a sentence) between the main idea and the support the author gives for those ideas

<b>In addition</b>	<b>Chris is on the basketball team this semester at Indiana School for the Deaf. In addition, he is on the soccer team.</b>
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<b>in like manner</b>	Ronda bought a new Saturn car; so <b>in like manner</b> the rest of her friends did the same thing.
<b>Nevertheless</b>	I am not able to go to the beach with you. <b>Nevertheless</b> , thanks for asking me.
<b>Before</b>	Stephen went to pick up Irene <b>before</b> he stopped by McDonald's for lunch.
<b>While</b>	<b>While</b> Missy was driving to work, she saw a deer by the roadside. She slowed down to watch the deer for a short time, then continued on her way to work.

### What is routine?

A routine is a sequence of actions regularly followed. It comprises commonplace tasks, chores, or duties as must be done regularly or at specified intervals.

There are different types of routines that one follows whether it be routine on weekdays, weekends, or office.

### Usage of Connectors and Transitional Words in Routine

1	<b>While</b>	I watch tv while having lunch.
2	And	I am good at Chemistry and Mathematics.
3	As well	I like play badminton as well as football.
4	Besides	Besides reading novels, I enjoy watching movies as well.
5	Moreover	This is true. Moreover, that is true also.
6	Further	Before going <i>any further with my routine</i> , I need to pay my bills.
7	Additionally	Additionally, I am quite interested in the history of food.
8	So	I wake up early so that I can reach college on time.
9	Then	I take shower and then offer prayers.
10	Hence	It takes a lot of time for me to take shower. Hence, I get late for my breakfast.
11	Therefore	He always gets up late. Therefore he misses his bus.
12	As a result	He gets nausea in bus. As a result, he has to travel by car.
13	Meanwhile	You can set the table. Meanwhile, I'll start making dinner.
14	As soon as	I finish my work as soon as I can.
15	In addition	<b>In addition</b> , all her planning and tenacity were paying off.

16	But	I dress up early but still get late for the office.
17	Yet	I attend classes yet I am marked absence.
18	In short	I hardly find time for myself. In short, I have a tedious job.
19	Finally	Finally, when the day is over I relax on my bean bag.
20	For instance	Mobile devices are becoming less expensive. Sophisticated smartphones, <i>for instance</i> , can now be purchased for less than \$100.
21	On the other hand	I'd love to own a horse and go riding every day; on the other hand, taking care of the animal is a very big responsibility.
22	To sum up	To sum up, my day is usually full of ups and downs.
23	Lastly	Lastly I would like to mention that my day always ends with a smile.
24	Similarly	Similarly, our agricultural processes aren't so hot.
25	However	I have hectic days; however, my evenings are pleasant.

### Daily Activities at Home

**Q: What are some of the daily activities that you do at home?**

I **wake up** at 7am every morning.

I **press the snooze button** five times every morning before I **turn off the alarm** and **get up**. I go for a morning walk and then I **have a cup of coffee** and **make breakfast**. I usually **read the newspaper** while I **have breakfast**. I like to have a shower before I **get dressed**.

My mother **brushes her long hair**, and I have short hair so I **comb my hair**. How do you **do your hair** in the morning?

It is important to **brush your teeth**, and some women like to **put make-up on**.

After I have finished work, I **go home to have dinner**. In my house I usually don't **make dinner**. The family eats dinner together at 7:30pm.

After dinner I make sure that I **do my homework**, and then I **chill out on the sofa** and **watch television**.

On television I usually **watch the News**. I use phone for a while and chat with friends.

I **feed the dog and the cat** before I **go to bed** and then I **go to the bathroom** too.

If I am sick so I have to **take my medication**, but then I **get into my pyjamas** and **set the alarm** so I wake up in the morning.

The last things I do is **lock the door**, **turn off the lights**, and **go to bed**. It doesn't take me long to **fall asleep**.

### Weekly Activities

**What are some weekly activities that you do?**

I **go grocery shopping** once a week at the local supermarket.

My family **does the housework** together every Saturday morning.

I usually **do the washing** on Sunday morning and when the machine is finished I **hang the clothes out** to dry.

On Sunday morning we **go to church**, and if there is lots of noise coming from **next door**,

sometimes we **fight with the neighbor**.

On Saturday night my parents **stay at home** and I **go out with friends**.

Even my friends that live at home **call their parents** each week. Every evening, I **water the garden**.

I usually pay someone to **wash the car**, but my partner says I should do it, so sometimes I **argue with my partner** about that.

If we are angry at the neighbor, we **seek vengeance** by annoying his dogs. I work in an important office, so I have to **shine my shoes** each day.

Sometimes we **hire a movie**, because we don't like to **illegally download music and films**.

I make sure that I **synchronize my iPod** so I always have new music on it. To get our shopping, we **go to the mall** in the car.

Last week I forgot to **recharge my travel card**, and I had to **argue with a bus driver**. I couldn't call the office because I forgot to **recharge my cellphone!**

## II. Usage of Connectors, Transition Words and Vocabulary Related to Shopping

### What is Shopping?

The process of browsing and/or purchasing items in exchange for money. It is an activity in which a customer browses the available goods or services presented by one or more retailers with the intent to purchase a suitable selection of them. In some contexts it may be considered a leisure activity as well as an economic one.

### Transition Words and Connectors While Talking About Shopping

1	Yet	I bought many dresses. Yet, I cannot find any when required.
2	Rather	I would rather buy a saree than a dress.
3	However	The weather was rainy. However, I managed to carry my wardrobe.
4	Nevertheless	It was a predictable, but <b>nevertheless</b> funny, story.
5	But	I would have bought the dress but I didn't have the required cash.
6	Although	Although it rained heavily, I managed to wear my new dress
7	Likewise	You've gone so far as to eliminate some of the enemies who <b>likewise</b> stumbled across her.
8	Similarly	A mother recognises the feel of her child's skin when blindfolded. <i>Similarly</i> , she can identify the type of

		cotton used in the dress.
9	In particular	I'm fond of denims in particular.
10	That is why	I wasn't able to find reliable cosmetic brand that is why I relied on the herbal products.
11	Such as	Many celebrities endorse big brands such as Revlon, Lakme, FabIndia etc.
12	Nevertheless	Her date was a bit of a slob, but she had fun <b>nevertheless</b> .
13	As a result	As a result of her bad temper, she ended up going for shopping alone.
14	In addition	In <i>addition</i> , all her planning and tenacity were paying off.
15	On the contrary	My mother thought that I love subtle colors like peach and white. On the contrary, I had deep affinity towards neon colours.
16	To begin with	To begin with, the salesperson spoke so quickly that I couldn't understand every word.
17	Presently	Presently I am working on my summer wardrobe.
18	Formerly	Formerly, I was working as a tourist guide.
19	Without a doubt	Without a doubt, elegance surpasses looks
20	On the whole	The weather was quite nice on the whole, except for one really rainy day in the middle of the trip.
21	Again	I tried on the dress again and again to check if it fits.
22	As well as	Gucci sells handbags as well as clothing line.
23	Whereas	Cotton clothes can be worn in summers, whereas woolen can be worn in winters alone.
24	But	I liked the floral dress but still bought the one my mother suggested.
25	As a result	As a result of his greed, he lost all his money in the gamble.

### Vocabulary Related to Shopping

**advertising campaign:** a series of advertisements to persuade people to buy something  
**big brand names:** large well-known companies or product names  
**to be careful with money:** not to over-spend  
**carrier bag:** bags (usually plastic) supplied by shops  
**customer service:** the degree to which customers are treated well  
**to get into debt:** to owe money  
**to give someone the hard sell:** to put pressure on someone to buy something  
**high street names:** well-known shops  
**independent stores:** small shops independent of large companies  
**local shops:** community shops  
**loyalty card:** a card issued by a shop to allow customers to save money on the basis of what they spend  
**must-have product:** a product that is very popular that a lot of people want to have  
**to be on a tight budget:** to have a limited amount of money to spend  
**to be on commission:** to pay someone in relation to the amount they sell  
**a pay in cash:** to pay for something using coins or paper money  
**to pay the full price:** to pay the full amount for something  
**to pick up a bargain:** to buy something much cheaper than the normal price  
**to run up a credit card bill:** to owe money on a credit card  
**to shop around:** to try different shops to find the best deal  
**shop assistant:** the person who serves customers  
**to shop until you drop:** to do a lot of shopping  
**to slash prices:** to reduce prices a great deal  
**to snap up a bargain:** to buy something quickly that is being sold cheaply  
**summer sales:** a period in the year when things are sold cheaply  
**to try something on:** to see if an item of clothing fits or is suitable  
**to be value for money:** to be worth the cost  
**window shopping:** to visit a store to look at items without the intention of buying anything

### Check the shopping phrases in bold letters

1. Examiner: Do you often go shopping for personal items?

Maxine: When I can afford it yes ... my college is in the city center and I do a lot of **Window shopping** ... but being a student I'm **on a tight budget** so I have **to be careful with money** ...

Examiner: Are there many shops where you live?

Jenny: We've got a few **local shops** nearby and a few **independent stores** but none of the big **high street names** ... I have to go into town for them ...

Examiner: Do you enjoy shopping?

Marco: It depends ... I hate it when the sales are on ... crowds of people all trying to **snap up a bargain** ... I find it all a bit stressful ... I also get annoyed when **shop assistants** try to **give me the hard sell** when all I want to do is look around ...

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Examiner: Do you think we will stop using paper money in the future?

Louisa: I think it's almost certain ... at the moment it's still possible **to pay in cash** but I'm sure this will change ... the problem is people are more likely **to get into debt** and **run up a credit card bill** when this happens.

Examiner: How do companies encourage the consumer to spend their money?

Peter: Well ... a recent development in my country is something called 'Black Friday' where people are encouraged **to shop until they drop** and buy the latest **musthave products** ... then there are things like **loyalty cards** to get the customer back in the store ...

Examiner: What do you think shops need to do to create a positive shopping experience?



Tania: The main thing for me is not being pressurized to buy ... I appreciate that shop assistants are probably **on commission** but if I'm looking for clothes for example I like to take my time ... **to try something on** ... and to ask for help if I need it ...

### Nouns in context of shopping

Client; customer;	salesgirl; salesclerk; cashier; attendant / assistant;
salesperson; vendor;	seller; buyer;
sales representative; sales manager;	wholesale buyer; wholesaler; retailer; distributor; advertising
salesman; saleswoman;	agent;

Finding a Shop	Opening Hours
<b>QUESTIONS</b> Can you recommend a good toy/clothes shop? Is there a chemists/supermarket in the area? Where can I get toothpaste/pet food? Where's the nearest shopping centre?	<b>QUESTIONS</b> What time do you open, please? What time do you close, please? What are your opening hours? Are you open all day? Are you open on Sundays?
<b>ANSWERS/COMMENTS</b> There's a really good bookshop just around the corner.  You can buy that here in the hotel. The best toy shop is in the shopping centre. The nearest one is a few miles away.	<b>ANSWERS/COMMENTS</b> We're open 24/7. (24 hours a day / 7 days a week) We're closed at lunchtime, between 12 and 2pm. We're open from 9am till 6pm, Monday to Friday.

### HERE IS A SAMPLE CONVERSATION BETWEEN MRS SMITH AND HER YOUNGER SON JOHN AT THE SHOP.

It's Saturday morning and Mrs. Smith is going shopping.  
 Mrs S: John, I'm going to the shops. Is there anything you want?  
 John: Yes please! Can you pick up my magazine from the newsagents?  
 Mrs S: Of course. Do you want to come with me?  
 John: No way, I'm going round to Mike's house, sorry.  
 Mrs S: No problem. I'll be about an hour, be home by 5 o'clock at the latest.  
 John: O.K. I'll see you later. A bit later.....  
 Mrs S: John are you home?  
 John Yes mum, I'm up stairs.  
 Mrs S: Come down here, I bought you a new Nike T-shirt, I want you to try it on.  
 John Nike? Great I'm coming!  
**A few minutes later.....**  
 Mrs S: Well, does it fit?  
 John I think it's a bit too small.  
 Mrs S: Let's have a look. Hmmm, I think you've grown again!  
 John I can't wear it though.  
 Mrs S: Do you like it?  
 John Yeah, it's a nice colour.  
 Mrs S: I'll take it back to the supermarket and see if I can change it.  
 Mrs Smith had bought a nice new T-shirt for John, but when he tried it on it didn't fit

### III. Usage of Connectors, Transition Words and Vocabulary Related to Vacation

#### What is Vacation?

A **vacation** or **holiday** is a leave of absence from a regular occupation, or a specific trip or journey, usually for the purpose of recreation or tourism. People often take a vacation during specific holiday observances, or for specific festivals or celebrations. Vacations are often spent with friends or family

#### Usage of Connectors and Transition Words in Vacation

1	<b>Still</b>	I was late to be bus stand but still managed to board my bus.
2	<b>Of course</b>	I had a memorable experience in Shimla. Of course I enjoyed a lot as well.
3	<b>Although</b>	Although it was quite dangerous to go for trekking, we still managed to reach the top.
4	<b>Even so</b>	I know you claim not to care about the snowfall; <i>even so</i> , you keep talking about it.
5	<b>In short</b>	In short, I loved the trip.
6	<b>Despite</b>	Despite having a tight schedule, I managed to go for a vacation.
7	<b>In addition</b>	There's a postage and packing fee in addition to the repair charge.
8	<b>Instead</b>	Shan chose to visit India instead of visiting Pakistan.
9	<b>Especially</b>	I love everything about winters, especially the snowfall.
10	<b>Simply put</b>	Everything about hill stations was sublime and brought peace to her chaotic mind. Simply put, it was a heaven for her.
11	<b>In fact</b>	It was the most memorable trip of my life. In fact it found its place even on my blog.
12	<b>Of course</b>	There is no place like Nainital. Of course, Manali being an exception.
13	<b>Furthermore</b>	Furthermore, in my family I had the power to make decisions.
14	<b>Consequently</b>	She didn't like the hotel; consequently, she changed it.
15	<b>Likewise</b>	Grateful to him, she was likewise anxious to leave the island before the beast returned and flew off the handle.
16	<b>Just like</b>	It turned out to be a fun trip, just like the previous one.
17	<b>That is why</b>	I couldn't complete my work on time that is why had to postpone the plan.
18	<b>Thereafter</b>	Thereafter, he ceased to pay attention.
19	<b>Even if</b>	Even if it rains, we will still go for camping.
20	<b>So</b>	We went to witness snowfall so had to carry the basic safety aids.

21	<b>In brief</b>	Can you share your experience in brief?
22	<b>Hence</b>	It isn't a favourable time to visit Dehradun at this time of the year. Hence, we postponed our plans.
23	<b>For instance</b>	The extreme temperature of Sahara desert causes many ailments. For instance, dehydration, sun burns etc.
24	<b>Thus</b>	Accepted theories can provide satisfactory results; <b>thus</b> , experiments can be avoided.
25	<b>Due to this</b>	There was heavy snowfall in Kashmir. Due to this, we had to cut short our trip.

### Vocabulary Related to Vacation

**Book:** as opposed to the noun (reading material), this verb means to arrange and confirm a place on a flight, a room in a hotel or a ticket for an event in the future.

**Reservation:** an arrangement in which something like a seat on a plane or a table in a restaurant is kept for you.

**Destination:** the place where someone is going, or something is being sent or taken.

**Complimentary:** if tickets books or any other items are complimentary, it means they are given free, especially by a business.

**All-Inclusive:** Including everyone or everything. In holiday terms, this would refer to a hotel deal where the price usually includes accommodation, meals and drinks (any extra activities or facilities would be charged separately).

**Travel Agency:** a company or shop that makes travel arrangements for people.

**Ticket:** a small piece of paper or card given to someone, usually to show that they have paid for an event, journey or activity.

**Brochure:** a type of small magazine that contains pictures and information about a product or a company.

**Leaflet:** a small piece of paper that gives you information or advertises something.

**Last Minute Deals:** these are promotions that are advertised at the latest possible time for those who are more spontaneous!

**Promotion:** publicizing a product to increase sales or public awareness.

**Package Deal:** an offer or agreement involving a number of related items or the acceptance of one being dependent on acceptance of another.

**Self-Catering:** if you stay in self-catering accommodation, you would be in a place where you are provided with the facilities to prepare and cook your own meals.

**Accommodation:** a room or building in which someone may live or stay. Different types of accommodation include apartments, hotels, guesthouses and backpacking hostels.

**Camping:** the activity of spending a holiday (vacation) living in a tent or campervan.

**Backpacking:** to travel or hike carrying one's belongings in a backpack.

**Transfer:** the act of moving someone or something from one place to another.

**Budget Holiday:** (adjective) meaning inexpensive. Planning a trip using a minimal amount of money. (Budget – noun) Having a limited amount of money for expenditure: Ex: *We have to keep within the household budget*).

**Travel Documents:** all the necessary documents you would need to take with you on a holiday i.e. passport or ID card, driving license, flight/bus/ train tickets, visa confirmation etc.

**Outbound:** travelling away from a particular place, usually the first half of a journey.

**Inbound:** travelling towards a particular place, especially when returning to the original point of departure.

**Two-way, Return Ticket (UK), Round Trip (US):** a ticket that allows someone to travel to a place and back again.

**One-way, Single Ticket:** a ticket that allows a passenger to travel only to his/her destination, without returning.

**Transport:** (verb *trans-PORT*) to take or carry goods or people from one place to another.

(Noun *TRANS-port*) A system or means of conveying people or goods from place to place by means of a vehicle, aircraft or ship.

**Splash out:** a phrasal verb (mainly used in British English) meaning to spend money freely.

### **Packing**

**Suitcase:** a case with a handle and hinged lid, used for carrying clothes and other personal possessions.

**Currency:** a system of money in general use in a particular country.

**Appropriate Clothing:** suitable or fitting for a particular purpose, person or occasion.

**Seasonal:** relating to a particular season of the year (Autumn, Winter, Spring or Summer).

**Fanny Pack (US), Bum Bag (UK):** a small bag used to safely store small valuable items when on holiday. This is usually worn around the waist and can be concealed under one's clothing.

### **D.1. Sample Conversation about Booking a Holiday:**

*Travel Agent = TA, Customer = C*

*TA: Good afternoon madam, how can I help you today?*

*C: Good afternoon, I would like to book a trip to Italy for 2 people and a 6 year old child please.*

*TA: Is there anywhere in particular you would like to go?*

***C: I can't decide between Venice and Rome, whichever is cheaper as we are on a budget this year!***

*TA: Okay, and when would you like to go?*

***C: We have two weeks of holiday between 18th June and 2nd July, and we'd like to go for at least***

*10 days during that period.*

***TA: No problem, I'll just check to see which destination would be cheaper.... We have a special promotion on at the moment, if you book a package deal to Venice, you get free transfer to and from your hotel to the airport, plus one free meal each day. Would you be interested in that?*** *C: Yes, that sounds great!*

*TA: And would you like full-board or half-board?*

*C: Well, seeing as we will get one free meal each anyway, I think self-catering would be better. I'll*

*have a little bit of extra money to splash out in a nice restaurant somewhere!*

***TA: Okay, that's fine. We have a hotel that offers self-catering facilities and is right in the centre of Rome. They also have special facilities for children such as meal deals, extra beds, a play area in the lobby and a crèche.***

***C: Perfect! I won't need to spend too much money on transport and our son will surely have fun too!***

*TA: Exactly. Your outbound flight will be on the 19th June, departing from London Gatwick Airport at 11:30am, and your return flight will be on the 30th June at 10:30pm. That gives you 11 and a half days in Rome, does that suit you?*

***C: Yes, that's excellent, and we'll still have a couple of days to recover before going back to work! How much will that be?***

*TA: Well, the promotion is £200 per adult, and your child can go for free because he is under 8*

years old. That includes the return flights, accommodation for 11 nights, airport transfer and a complimentary meal each per day. Shall we go ahead and book it?

C: Wow! That is a fabulous deal! Yes, please.

TA: Okay. How would you like to pay?

C: Credit card please. Here you go.

TA: Thank you. Could I also see your passports please?

C: Sure, here you go.

TA: Thank you. Here are your tickets and everything else

You will need to know about your package holiday. Remember to keep all your travel documents safe throughout the whole trip.

C: Thank you so much for your help!

**TA: You're welcome. Enjoy the rest of your day and please contact us if you have any queries before you set off on your holiday!**

## **D.2. Sample Conversation about Checking-in at the Airport:**

Airport Attendant = AA, Passenger = P

AA: Next please!

P: Hi. Good Afternoon.

AA: Good Afternoon sir. May I see your passport please? P: Yes, here you go.

AA: Thank you. Please place your luggage on the belt.

P: (Places suitcase on the conveyor belt)

**AA: I'm afraid this suitcase is 7kg overweight. You are allowed a maximum of 30 kg and this suitcase weighs 37kg. You will need to remove some items or pay an additional fee for the extra weight.**

**P: Oh no! I see. Okay, I'm happy to pay the fee.**

AA: Is this your bag sir? P: Yes, of course it is.

AA: Did you pack it yourself? P: Yes.

AA: Were you given anything by someone else to take on the flight? P: No, definitely not.

AA: Do you have any of the following items in your luggage? (Points to images of dangerous objects)

P: No,

I'm certain.

AA: Okay, that will be 56 euros for the overweight case please.

P: Okay, here is the right amount in cash. Also, could I please have a window seat?

**AA: I'll just see if there is one available....Okay, you will be seated in 25A. Here is your passport and**

boarding pass, please keep all your documents safe. Enjoy your flight.

P: Thank you very much.

Here are some commonly used connectors/transition words and phrases, grouped by category:

**To express addition:**

also, another, furthermore, in addition, moreover

**To express consequence:**

as a result, consequently, for this reason, subsequently, therefore, thus

**To exemplify or illustrate:**

for instance, for example, such as

**To restate:**

in other words, in short, in brief, to put it differently

**For contrast and comparison:**

in contrast, likewise, on the other hand, on the contrary, similarly, yet, but, however

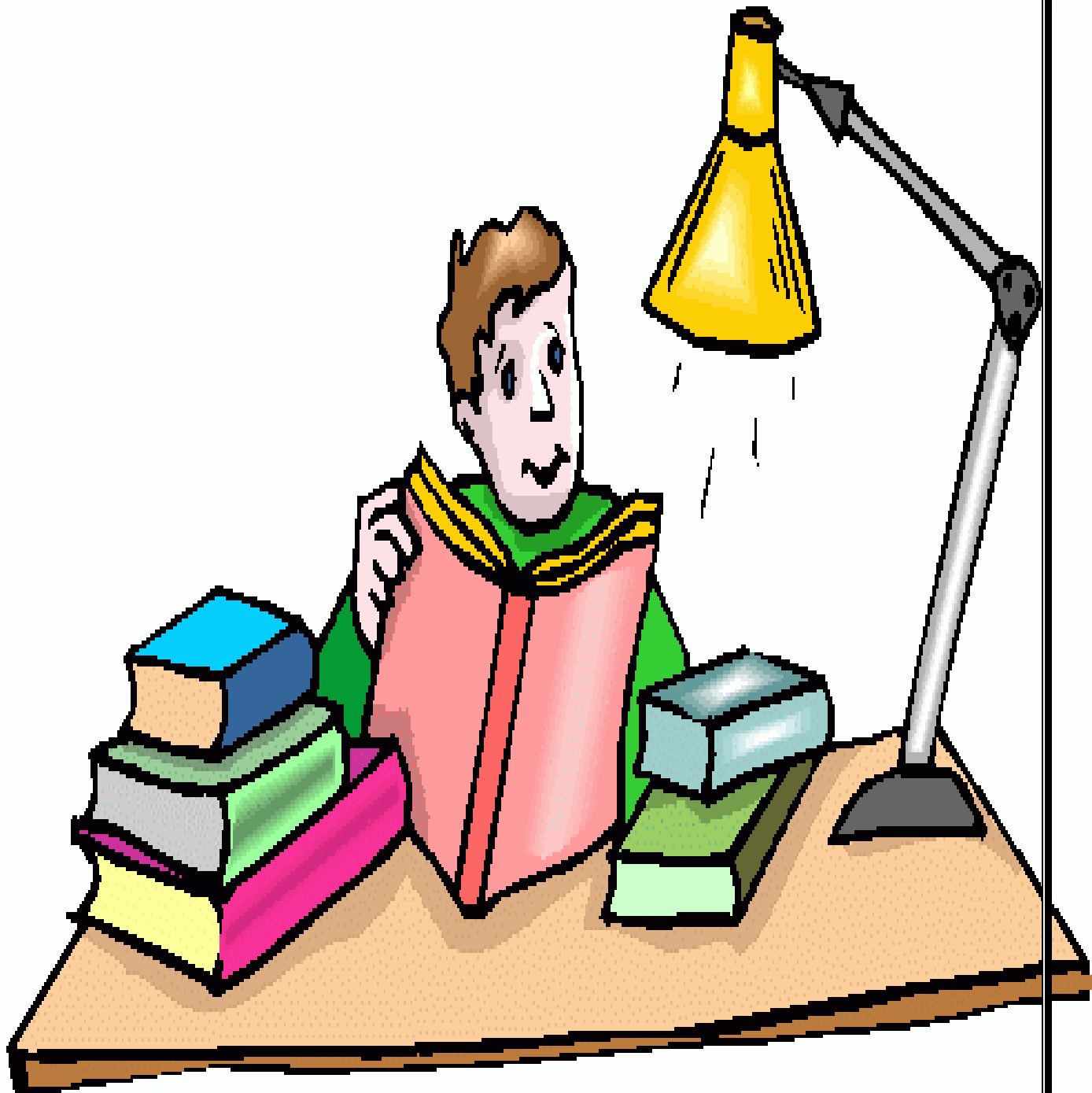
**To express sequence or order:**

first of all, to begin with, in the first place, next, secondly, second, third, thirdly, finally, etc.

**To summarize or conclude:**

all in all, in conclusion, to sum up, to summarize, to conclude

# PEL 131 Unit-2 Tutorial Exercises



## COMMUNICATION SKILLS-II

## Unit-II

**Q2.I.** Fill in the Blanks with the use of connectors / transition words (Routine based)

In short, usually, While, after, always, get dressed, listen to, set an alarm, but, go to sleep, as soon as

I reach home at about 3 or 4 in the morning, so I \_\_\_\_\_ get up late. I never \_\_\_\_\_ because I don't like waking up to that annoying sound of my alarm clock. \_\_\_\_\_ waking up, I \_\_\_\_\_ have a good breakfast. Then I take shower and \_\_\_\_\_. I get ready for work at around 5 in evening. \_\_\_\_\_ getting ready, I \_\_\_\_\_ music. I reach the club at 7 \_\_\_\_\_ my turn to play music comes at 9 o'clock. Meanwhile, I enjoy being an audience to other DJs. I am generally the last DJ, so \_\_\_\_\_ the party gets over, I come back to my house and \_\_\_\_\_. \_\_\_\_\_, I don't have a very interesting routine.

**II.** Fill in the Blanks with the use of connectors / transition words

**catch up, alternatively, trying out, sometimes, but, being, always, at times, specifically**

I spend my leisure time indoors. I like \_\_\_\_\_ new recipes and different cuisines from all over the worlds. \_\_\_\_\_ I the kitchen busy making new dishes is enjoyable. The meals \_\_\_\_\_ are disgusting \_\_\_\_\_ the experience is \_\_\_\_\_ fun for me. \_\_\_\_\_, I like reading non fiction books \_\_\_\_\_ describing historical events. Occasionally, I also go to the theaters or cinemas and \_\_\_\_\_ on the latest movies and plays with friends. \_\_\_\_\_ I stay at home and watch my favourite TV series.

**III -** Fill in the Blanks with the use of connectors / transition words

**whenever, regularly, moreover, along with, unhealthy, necessary, thus, because,**

Personal hygiene includes washing our hand, mouth and face \_\_\_\_\_. We must regularly use cleaning agent like soaps, hand sanitizes, hand gels, etc. \_\_\_\_\_ we take out our shoes, we must clean our legs with soap \_\_\_\_\_ keeping legs clean creates positive effect on our body balance. \_\_\_\_\_, washing vegetables with clean water before cooking them, \_\_\_\_\_ cutting our nails regularly, cleaning our nose, ear and hair are hygienic habits. We should not touch our mouth and face at public places. Going to our bed with school dress or with outside clothes is \_\_\_\_\_. Cleaning teeth twice a day is very \_\_\_\_\_ for good dental health. Being hygienic is an important social duty just like other social duties. Our neighborhood, schools, footpath, our body, our daily usable things, etc. should be free of dirt and filth. \_\_\_\_\_, many have been noticed throwing out dirt of their houses. This must be completely avoided.



**1. I Fill in the Blanks with the use of correct connectors / transition words  
(Shopping based)**

**loyalty cards, advertising campaign, on tight budget, local shops, moreover**

Martha : Hey Anjie! Why is there such a large gathering at the city departmental store?

Anjie : Don't you know? There is a huge sale at the store. Looks like the store's \_\_\_\_\_ worked well. They are offering an additional 10% discount to those who have \_\_\_\_\_.

Martha : Why didn't you go there?

Anjie : I can't. I have already spent a fortune on buying the DVD player. Now I am \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_, I prefer shopping from \_\_\_\_\_ than from international chain stores.

**II Fill in the Blanks with the use of correct connectors / transition words  
(Shopping based)**

**besides, must have products, shop assistant, however, feedback, value for money,**

Manager : Thank you for shopping with us. How was your experience?

John : It was good. The \_\_\_\_\_ treated us well. We could find all the \_\_\_\_\_.

Manager : We are glad to serve you. What would you say about the quality and price of the

products?

John : Well, I must say that most of the products were \_\_\_\_\_. \_\_\_\_\_, the cosmetics

were priced quite high. \_\_\_\_\_, the quality of all products was top notch.

Manager : Thank you for your valuable \_\_\_\_\_. Visit again.

### **III Fill in the Blanks with the use of correct connectors / transition words (Shopping based)**

**moreover, shop around, try on, although, picking up a bargain, nevertheless**

Rhea : I think online shopping is so much better than traditional offline shopping.

Jess : I beg to differ. How can you buy something that you can't \_\_\_\_\_. I mean how do

you even know if it'll look good on you.

Rhea : But online shopping is so convenient. You don't need to \_\_\_\_\_. You get everything

on one site.

Jess : There is no scope of \_\_\_\_\_ online. You have to pay the full price. \_\_\_\_\_ , window

shopping is more fun otherwise.

Rhea : \_\_\_\_\_ I still feel online shopping is better, I agree to the window shopping part.

Jess : \_\_\_\_\_ let's go out and eat.

Ques2 - Write a short passage on the following. Use the hints given.

#### **I - My most memorable summer vacation**

Summer camp - hill station - lots of activities - trekking - camping - other adventure sports - also learned to cook - shoot a gun - bonfire - singing songs - grooving - moreover - meditated early in morning - although cold - kept a journal - enjoyable as well as learning

#### **II - My daily activities at college**

Reach college at 9 - first class - greet friends - attend lectures - discuss about tests and projects - free lecture - generally - go to library - alternatively - sit under shade - listen to music - munch - after attending remaining lectures - exhausted - however - hang out - friends - bid adieu

**Q2.2** Write a short passage on the following. Use the hints given.

**I - You recently visited the new shopping mall in your city. Describe your experience.**

Shopping mall - located - heart of the city - people excited - visited with my friends - window shopping - to begin with - huge complex - 6 floors - all high street names - such as - Gucci, Channel - summer sales- slashed prices in all stores - food court - as well as - gaming zone - very noisy - yet - fun place

**II - Perks of online shopping**

To begin with - very popular - many reasons - firstly - convenient - no shopping around - must have products - fair prices - rather - saves money - additionally - e-loyalty cards - extra discount - moreover - no pay in cash - shop until you drop - hassle free - on the contrary - risk of fraud - however - very popular.

**III - My shopaholic brother**

Loves to shop around - yet - very careful with his money - very fussy - can't give him hard sell - although - value for money - snaps up a bargain - generally - pays in cash - however - sometimes - runs up a credit card bill - still - never goes into debt - shops till he drops - nevertheless - smart buyer.

**Q2.3.a.** Replace the underlined group of words with one/two word(s).

- a) We planned a family trip to Goa and got our reservations done from a company that makes travel arrangements for people.
- b) My friend showed me various small magazines containing pictures and information of many tourist spots.
- c) We had to plan well in advance because it was difficult to find a comfortable space to live during vacations.
- d) My friends were very curious to know about the surprise place where we were going.
- e) We were on a budget holiday. That explains why we couldn't spend money freely on shopping. F)f) Smith is a very smart traveller. He can always get his hands on promotions that are advertised at the latest possible time for those who are more spontaneous.

### **I - Your most memorable vacation**

Last year's summer vacation - Europe tour - booked tickets in advance - travel agency - 15 days trip - comfortable accommodation - self catering - not fond of western cuisine - however - sister likes it - but - no appropriate clothing - didn't check weather details - shopping - visited all famous places - tour guide - so that - know history - thoroughly enjoyed - most memorable trip

### **II - You run a travel agency that is organizing a 5 day trip to Manali for high school children. Explain the tour plan using the hints**

Earl morning departure - arrival at hotel - 6 p.m. - rest - dinner at 8 - next morning - visit the Monastery - along with - Hadimba and Manu temple - leisure - evening at the Mall Road - DJ night at hotel - following day - backpacks - explore Rohtang pass or the Solang valley - also - experience snow scooter, Zorbing, skiing, etc - fourth day - leave for Kullu - river rafting - sight seeing - bonfire - next day - departure for host destination - all inclusive package - accommodation - meals - as well as - entry tickets - complimentary - fanny packs to all students

### **III - Your most terrible vacation**

Recent visit - grandparents - small village in U.P. - favourite place - lot of childhood friends- but this time - turned out terrible - forgot to make reservation - last minute booked tickets - terrible train journey - nevertheless - still excited to meet grandparents - reached there - relaxed - next day - state locked down - Covid 19 pandemic - stuck at home - adding fuel to fire - frequent electricity cuts - no source of entertainment - all plans failed - annoyed and sad.

### **Q2.4. Fill in the blanks with appropriate transitions.**

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b. In order that

c. Considering that

d. In addition to

e. As a result

9. While eating sweets, the brain instantly releases endorphins which make us feel happy and reduce pain; ---- many pediatricians give sweets to children while giving injections.

a. that's why

b. nonetheless

c. as long as

d. so as to

e. since

10. Srirangam was an ancient place of pilgrimage for the Indians and was surrounded by a strong fort but there was ---- the necessary army ---- the weapons to protect it.

a. both / and

b. neither / nor

c. hardly / when

d. not only / but also

e. either / or

11. Many smokers believe that e-cigarettes can help them quit smoking. ...., scientific researches show that e-cigarettes are more addictive and lethal than traditional cigarettes.

a. In addition

b. However

c. As a consequence

d. Equally important

12. Urban planners argue that the rise of private vehicles is a leading cause of traffic congestion. ...., they also associate poor infrastructure development with the problem.

a. Furthermore

b. In conclusion

c. For example

d. But

13. Many students in rural areas do not get access to quality education. ...., they struggle to find well-paid jobs after graduating from university.

a. Consequently

b. Moreover

c. In short

d. On the other hand

14. .... the impacts of global warming, Vietnam has witnessed an increasing number of hurricanes over the past few years.

a. In spite of

b. In contrast

c. Because of

d. Until

15. Scientific researches indicate a number of negative impacts of poor sleeping quality. ...., the problem can lead to anxiety and depression.

a. Otherwise

b. For example

c. To conclude

d. Nevertheless

16. Developing countries are experiencing a significant rise in birth rates. ...., other developed economies such as Japan and Germany are facing a severe shortage of laborers.

a. Likewise

b. Besides

c. To summarize

d. In contrast

17. .... continuous efforts of the Japanese government, the overwork culture in this country is still growing.

- a. Due to
- b. As soon as
- c. Unless
- d. In spite of

18. The tourism industry of Vietnam is expanding fast with an increasing number of foreign visitors. ...., the trend also applies to other ASEAN countries such as Thailand.

- a. Whereas
- b. Similarly
- c. For instance
- d. Thus

19. The Vietnamese government decides to loosen regulations imposed on new business creation. ...., the number of newly created companies has increased at a record high.

- a. In brief
- b. On the other hand
- c. As a result
- d. In particular

20. Before the storm, the city council failed to inform residents of the disaster. ...., the death toll was enormous.

- a. Therefore
- b. At the same time
- c. Nevertheless
- d. Firstly