Important Links!

Link your sentences and paragraphs using adverbials:

Time

Subsequently, Later that day,

Place

Deep inside the forest, Below the sea.

Frequency

Occasionally, Often,

Contrast/ Cause

On the other hand, In contrast,

As a result, Consequently,

Manner/ Behaviour

Breathing heavily, Waiting anxiously, Without warning,

Creating Cohesion Top

Tip: Not only can you use pronouns like he, she, it or they instead of repeating a name or names but how about other names or titles too? Here's some examples: the teacher, she, Mrs Smith, the lovely woman or the lady with the long hair.

Be a Punctuation Professional:

Α	Capital letters for sentences, initials and	
	proper nouns.	

- Full stops
- Exclamation marks for exclamations or surprise.
- Question marks
 - Apostrophes for possession and missing letters.
 - Commas in lists, and sentences.
- Inverted commas for speech (Don't forget the commas too!).

Active and Passive

Use active and passive sentences appropriately:

Active: In front of millions of screaming fans, the star striker missed a vital penalty.

Passive: In front of millions of screaming fans, a vital penalty was missed by the star striker.

Modal Verbs

Modal verbs describe how likely it is that something will happen.

You should not (shouldn't) go to school today.

I could have a coffee with you.

Writing Mat

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Perfect Parenthesis!

Use brackets, commas or dashes to punctuate extra information and asides:

The tomb of Tutankhamen (the Ancient Egyptian pharaoh) was discovered by Howard Carter.

The advancing alien, who was speaking a Martian language, looked dangerous.

The daffodils – my favourite sign of spring - swayed gently in the woodland breeze.

Use a thesaurus to look for more ambitious synonyms. Why use 'frightened' when you could use...

alarmed

Or 'show' a character's feelings:

his breathing quickened

her heart raced

sweat trickled gasping for air

Check for:

startled

- · consistent tense and person
- · paragraphs with cohesive links

apprehensive

- subject/verb agreement
- · genre features
- layout devices

Spellings I need to know many of these:				
accommodate	correspond	hindrance	recognise	
accompany	criticise	individual	recommend	
according	curiosity	interfere	relevant	
achieve	definite	interrupt	restaurant	
aggressive	desperate	language	rhyme	
amateur	determined	leisure	rhythm	
ancient	develop	lightning	sacrifice	
apparent	dictionary	marvellous	secretary	
appreciate	embarrass	mischievous	shoulder	
attached	environment	muscle	sincere	
available	equip(-ped)	necessary	sincerely	
average	equipment	neighbour	soldier	
awkward	especially	nuisance	stomach	
bargain	exaggerate	оссиру	sufficient	
bruise	excellent	occur	suggest	
category	existence	opportunity	symbol	
committee	explanation	parliament	system	
communicate	familiar	physical	temperature	
community	foreign	prejudice	thorough	
competition	forty	privilege	twelfth	
conscience	frequently	profession	variety	
conscious	government	programme	vegetable	
controversy	guarantee	pronunciation	vehicle	
convenience	harass	queue	yacht	

Splendid Subordination!

Use these conjunctions in varied places in your multi-clause sentences:

if	because	αs
before	after	until
unless	since	when