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## LISTENING: SIGNAL WORDS AND PHRASES

Listening for signal words will help you listen for ideas. The following quiz will help you learn how signal words and phrases are used in lectures - a step toward your becoming a more active listener. Match the purpose in the right-hand column with their numbered group of signal words or phrases.

					<u>Purpose</u>
_____1.	because since for	due to reason cause	consequently result effect		a. causes or effects
_____2.	steps stages	numbers first, second, etc.			b. another example or point follows
_____3.	most important remember that pay attention to of primary concern	above all a key idea the main point most significant			c. a conclusion follows
_____4.	also in addition	furthermore moreover	another		d. to add emphasis
_____5.	types kinds	parts characteristics			e. an exception to a fact
_____6.	for example for instance	to illustrate specifically	such as		f. indicate a sequence
_____7.	therefore consequently	in conclusion to conclude	finally so		g. items are being compared
_____8.	however nevertheless	although though except	but		h. categories or divisions
_____9.	similar like advantages	different in contrast equally	disadvantages on the other hand contrary to		i. an example follows

- adapted from *The Confident Student*, Carol Kanar, Houghton Mifflin Co., Boston, 1991.

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