

However vs Therefore

Rising Grade 8 revising/editing mini-lesson

Parent note

Give this as a 5-minute check. The goal is to make the student name the logic before looking at the answer choices.

Question

Read the sentences. Which transition best connects the ideas? The student rewrote the explanation twice to make the evidence clearer. _____, the final paragraph was easier for readers to follow.

- ☐ A However
- ☐ B Therefore
- ☐ C For example
- ☐ D Meanwhile

Answer and explanation

Correct answer: B

The easier final paragraph is the result of rewriting the explanation. Therefore fits because it signals a result or conclusion. However would signal a contrast. For example would introduce an illustration. Meanwhile would signal another event happening at the same time.

Next step

If this was hard, try the free SHSAT grammar sample. If you need a full ELA + Math baseline, use the \$1.99 diagnostic.

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