

# EXPLANATORY TEXT



The purpose of this article is to explain how..... It can be difficult to ... so.... Each paragraph will....

To begin with... This is because....

Next..... This causes..... As a result of ..... At this stage of the process.....

Before long,..... Therefore the ..... Furthermore.....

Alternatively, if..... the..... In this instance.....  
Although unfortunate, .....

However, if there are no problems, the ..... This leads to .....  
Because ..... there is.....

Lastly,..... Nobody knows why..... Many people believe..... It is true to say that.....



## Pick 'n' Mix – *Stand out from the crowd!*

### **Opening statements**

- This article will ...
- The purpose of this article is to ...
- This explanation is intended to ...
- This article is designed to ...
- The following information ...
- I will try to ...
- I will attempt to ...
- It can be difficult to ... so ...
- Firstly I will ...
- Following that I intend to ...
- I am going to ...
- The purpose of this explanation is to help ...

### **Time connectives**

- To begin with ...
- Next ...
- After that
- Following that ...
- After a while ...
- Wait a moment before...
- Before long ...
- After a minute ...
- First ...
- First of all ...
- Firstly ...
- Next ...

- After ...
- Afterwards ...
- After that ...
- When ...
- At this point ...
- Lastly ...
- Finally ...
- Subsequently...

### **Causal connectives**

- So ...
- This causes ...
- As a result ...
- This results in ...
- This leads to ...
- This is because ...
- This was because ...
- Because ...
- Therefore ...
- Furthermore ...

### **Other useful phrases**

- In addition ...
- Everyone understands that ...
- Nobody knows why ...
- Many people believe ...
- I believe that ...
- It is true to say that ...

