

## CONJUNCTIVE ADVERBS

- Two independent clauses can be joined by using a comma and a coordinating conjunction (fanboy) or a semicolon.
- When creating a compound sentence by joining two independent clauses using a semicolon, a *transitional expression* is often used after the semicolon and is followed by a comma.
- Both *conjunctive adverbs* and *transitional phrases* are considered transitional expressions. They are used to indicate the relationship between the two sentences being joined with a semicolon.

**Example:** Melissa is a great student; in addition, she excels as a lab assistant.

### List of Conjunctive Adverbs

also	furthermore	however	specifically	subsequently
accordingly	however	nevertheless	similarly	still
next	then	besides	incidentally	nonetheless
therefore	certainly	instead	indeed	now
thus	consequently	otherwise	therefore	finally
meanwhile	specifically	moreover		

### List of Transitional Phrases

in addition	in conclusion	on the other hand	on the contrary
after all	in fact	for example	for instance
as a result	in other words	at the same time	in the first place

- Conjunctive adverbs are used to show relationships like sequence, contrast, and cause and effect. For example, *also*, *moreover*, and *in addition* are used to add an idea while *however* and *nevertheless* are used to show contrast.
- Becoming familiar with conjunctive adverbs and learning how to use them and punctuate them, helps you avoid run-on sentences.