Choosing Openers and Connectives

A **connective** is a word or phrase that joins two **simple** sentences to make a **compound or complex** sentence.

Simple sentences:	l got up.	l had breakfast.
Compound sentences:	l got up and l had breakfast.	l got up so l had breakfast.
Complex sentences:	l had breakfast when l got up.	When I got up, I had breakfast.

Connectives							
and							
and	also	too	plus	including			
in addition	as well as	together with	along with	another thing			
but							
but	however	although	other than	except			
whereas	apart from	yet	even so	on the other hand			
SO							
SO	because	therefore	since	thus			
so that	as a result	consequently	hence	for this reason			
then							
then	secondly	after that	soon after	following this			
next	later on	afterwards	before long	after a while			
when							
when	as	while	during	before			
earlier	once	as soon as	after	meanwhile			
however							
however	but	yet	still	though			
even so	it appears	on the other hand	whereas	despite this			
some							
nothing	none	some	few	a minority			
several	many	most	mainly	the majority			
because			-				
because	as	since	given that	seeing as			
for that reason	due to	for	which is why	SO			

Openers						
First						
First of all,	At first,	To start,	At the start,	It all started,		
To begin with,	In the beginning,	At the outset,	Initially,	Originally,		
Next						
Next,	Then,	After that,	Following this,	Afterwards,		
Secondly,	Later,	After a while,	Soon after,	Subsequently,		
Soon						
Soon after,	Quickly,	Suddenly,	All of a sudden,	In a flash,		
Before long,	In no time at all,	Shortly after,	Moments later,	Not long after,		
Last						
At last,	Last of all,	Lastly,	In the end,	To finish,		
Finally,	In time,	Ultimately,	Eventually,	In conclusion,		