**Transition Madlibs**

**Directions**

* Insert the best transition for the sentence in each blank.
* For a hint about the kind of transition to choose, pay careful attention to the transition type indicated after each blank.
* Do not repeat any transitions in the paragraph.

The Dangers of Drinking Soda

Who doesn’t enjoy the bubbly, sugary taste of Coke or Sprite on a hot summer day? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, *(to contrast ideas)* drinking soda regularly can have harmful effects on your body. Doctors and experts refer to soda as “liquid candy” \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ *(to prove)* it is so sweet and high in calories. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, *(to show result)* this sugary liquid can cause cavities and enamel erosion, according to the American Academy of Pediatrics (webmd.com). \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ *(to prove)* some studies have linked regular soda consumption to an increased risk of childhood obesity (everydayhealth.com). \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, *(to contrast ideas)* Maureen Storey, Associate Director of the Georgetown Center, says: "Portion sizes have expanded dramatically and it is simply wrong to blame increases in obesity on food or beverages that contain carbohydrates" (abc.com). \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, *(to contrast ideas)* soda does suppress the appetite, making eating healthy foods, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ *(to provide an example)* fruits and vegetables, less appealing. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, *(to prove or add more information)* researchers have discovered that the more caffeinated soda kids drink, the less sleep they get, which can affect school work and sports participation (msnbc.com). If you must drink soda, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ *(to show result),* drink it in moderation and try to cut back to only one or two cans per week.