Time Order Words List

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before

earlier
formerly
in the past
not long ago
once
preceding
previously
prior to
up until that time
yesterday

sometimes

at times from time to time gradually occasionally periodically rarely seldom some of the time

firet

at first at the beginning at the onset before commence embark from this point in the first place starting with to begin

next

after afew days after a while after that as soon as consequently following henceforth in time in turn later

momentarily

not long after presently right after second, third shortly since soon soon after then tomorrow when

last

after a long time afterward at last at the end eventually final finally hereafter in conclusion in the end last of all later on

thereafter to conclude to finish ultimately until

suddenly

abruptly all at once at this moment immediately in an instant instantly instantaneously just then right away

now

at the present time by now currently directly during meanwhile of late promptly recently sooner or later straightaway this instant today until now while without delay

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Hints for Using the List

- Use the bolded words as a guide to find more specific words.
- Have students add to the list as they use other time order words in their writing or find them in their reading.
- Have students categorize the lists. Break the words down to smaller, more specific lists or rank from least to most extreme.
- Provide students a copy for a reference, keep laminated copies in your writing centers, or display.

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