**“Becoming a Writer” by Russell Baker**

**Topic sentence** – Begin your paragraph by discussing the “topic” – transitioning

**Claim** – this is the answer to the question…state how Baker effectively uses transitions in his essay

**Evidence** – cite where and what kind of transitions he sues

**Explanation** – explain how his transitioning makes for a good read/write

**Conclusion** – revisit the “topic” once again discuss the importance of good transitioning