Making connections in text

In the text below, find places where you can insert

* a definition
* synonyms
* connectors

The Brazilian economy is going through a turbulent time. Thus / As a result / Therefore / Consequently he Brazilian people facing a challenging period. The public job application process known as "concursos públicos" are rare these days. Moreover, / Furthermore jobs are complicated to find, it is arduous for people to pay the bills every month, and people have trouble improving their lives. In addition, Additionally, health insurance has become more expensive, the quality of public service has decreased, and violence has risen. Times are frustrating in Brazil right now.

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