

Literary Analysis

WHOLE-WORK
THESIS FRAME

OR Throughout

In

TEXT

properly formatted title and/or effective summary of text

LPT verbs like makes use of, employs, utilizes, deploys, includes, juxtaposes, symbolizes...

AUTHOR

VERBs

WHAT

AUTHORIAL CHOICES: literary elements, specific terminology, notable features

to VERB that
by VERBing

WHY

THEME

- a functional standalone concept
- THE MEANING of the work as a whole
- identifies a universal truth
- not obvious — requires defense/support
- COMPLEX: 2 clauses linked with a sub. conjunction ★
- connects multiple thematic motifs
- ⊗ no plot
- ⊗ no 1st/2nd person pronouns
- ⊗ no commands imperatives
- ⊗ no clichés

EFFECT verbs in infinitive form like suggest, convey, warn, demonstrate, imply, expose, reveal...

EFFECT verbs in present-progressive form like contrasting, emphasizing, exploring, illustrating, foiling, connecting...

your BROAD SUMMARY of how the author pulled it all off — tease your evidence!

★ some of the subordinating conjunctions

- after
- although
- as
- as if
- as long as
- as much as
- as soon as
- as though
- because
- before
- by the time
- even if
- even though
- if
- in order that
- in case
- in the event that
- lest
- now that
- once
- only
- only if

SC CLAUSE, CLAUSE.

CLAUSE SC CLAUSE.

Each clause should be a complete thought with a subject and a verb.

- provided that
- since
- so
- supposing
- that
- than
- though
- till
- unless
- until, when
- whenever
- where
- whereas
- wherever
- whether or not
- while

EFFECT verbs to use as either ^(to VERB) INFINITIVES or ^(VERB-ing) PRESENT PROG.

for Highlighting & Emphasizing

- Address
- Emphasize
- Express
- Highlight
- Illustrate
- Magnify
- Verify

for Creating & Building

- Construct
- Create
- Develop
- Depict
- Designate
- Detail
- Elaborate (on)
- Enable
- Enhance
- Enrich
- Foreshadow
- Generate
- Manifest
- Portray
- Present
- Produce
- Represent
- Shape
- Showcase
- Symbolize

for Comparing & Contrasting

- Compare
- Contrast
- Foil
- Juxtapose
- Integrate
- Link
- Separate

for Supporting & Reinforcing

- Affirm
- Allow (for)
- Confirm
- Foster
- Legitimize
- Promote
- Qualify
- Reaffirm
- Reinforce
- Strengthen
- Support

for Questioning & Challenging

- Criticize
- Debunk
- Deconstruct
- Demand
- Disprove
- Expose
- Examine
- Insist
- Interrogate
- Obscure
- Probe
- Question
- Refute
- Ridicule
- Scrutinize
- Undermine
- Vilify
- Weaken

for Connecting & Relating

- Allude (to)
- Associate
- Connect
- Relate
- Refer (to)
- Invoke

for Explaining & Clarifying

- Articulate
- Clarify
- Define
- Describe
- Delineate
- Demonstrate
- Elucidate
- Explain
- Reveal
- Interpret
- Show
- Summarize

for Highlighting Specifics

- Specify
- Point (out)
- Identify
- Note
- Articulate

to Cause & Induce

- Compel
- Invoke
- Provoke
- Raise
- Stimulate
- Trigger
- Warn

for Theme / Purpose

- Acknowledge
- Argue
- Assert
- Claim
- Convey
- Demonstrate
- Illustrate
- Imply
- Show
- Suggest
- Warn

Literary
Present
Tense verbs
to use directly
with the
author's name

LITERARY	INFORMATIONAL
• Deploys	• Adds
• Employs	• Addresses
• Makes use of	• Alludes (to)
• Places	• Articulates
• Uses	• Asks
	• Describes
	• Explains
	• Includes
	• Lists
	• Mentions
	• Personifies
	• Points (out)
	• Provides
	• Refers (to)
	• Relates
	• States
	• Summarizes
	• Utilizes

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