

How to Structure the Thesis and Claims for the Synthesis Essay

Using the *I,cl* or *I,ccl* structure:

Galileo made discoveries that advanced science **while** Frankenstein uses his scientific knowledge in an attempt for personal gain.

Options:

- Use a correlating conjunction: neither...nor, not only...but also (must be used in pairs)
- Use a coordinating conjunction: and, but, yet
- Use a subordinating conjunction: while, whereas, although, because

Using an *as* phrase

Knowledge requires purpose **as exemplified by** the Reformation Period and in Shelley's *Frankenstein*.

Sample as phrases:

...as illustrated by...	...as found in...
...as proven by...	...as seen in...
...as exemplified by...	...as exhibited by...
...as depicted by...	...as evidenced by...
...as shown by...	(or synonyms for any of these words)

Remember:

- No three-prong thesis
- Connect thesis and claims specifically to primary sources
- Use parallel structure
- Use correct tone—literary present and historical past