

To introduce your essay

- This essay explores/discusses/ analyses...
- The issue focused on in...
- This essay is an exploration of...
- The key aspect discussed...
- Views on... range from...
- The central theme/premise...
- One of the many themes...
- ____ is/are presented...
- ____ is depicted...
- ____ is defined...
- ____ are identified...

To give examples

- For example ...
- An illustration of ...
- This is illustrated/depicted/conveyed/ shown...
- Specifically...
- Such as...
- For instance...
- As can be seen in...
- As demonstrated by...
- As an example ...
- This can be observed/noted/seen...
- This is exemplified by...

To analyse

With certainty

- This means...
- This shows...
- This illustrates...
- This depicts...
- This conveys...

A possible interpretation

- It can be inferred that...
- This implies...
- This has connotations of...
- This suggests...
- This possibly...
- Perhaps...
- ____ could...
- ____ could be interpreted...
- ____ could be viewed as ...

To add ideas

- Also...
- Furthermore ...
- More importantly...
- Equally important is...
- Moreover...
- Another essential point...
- In addition...
- Similarly...
- Subsequently...
- Additionally...
- Another...
- To elaborate...

To compare and contrast

- Similarly...
- In comparison...
- However...
- Alternatively...
- On the contrary...
- In the same way...
- This is in contrast to...
- On the other hand...
- In contrast to...
- Likewise...
- In contrast...
- Conversely...
- Despite this...

Conclusions

- In summary...
- To conclude...
- Thus...
- To summarise...
- In short...
- In conclusion ...
- To sum up...