LOGICAL CONNECTIVES

RELEVANT FOR ALL INTERPRETIVE ESSAYS

ANSWERS TO "WHY?" QUESTIONS
Because
Since
Consequently
So
Hence
Therefore
Accordingly
As a result

ANSWERS TO "HOW" QUESTIONS
In this way
With the effect that

ANALYSIS/CLOSE READING
Imply
Infer
Explore
Suggest
Illuminate
Highlight
Draw attention to
Reveal
Indicate

LOGICAL SHIFTS
However
Although
But
Yet
While
Initially
Even though
Whereas
Nevertheless
Regardless
Despite
If…then
On the one hand…on the other hand
Not only…but also

ELABORATION
Actually
By extension
To put it another way
In other words
In short
That is

SPECIFICITY
Especially
In particular

ADDITIVE LOGIC
Also
And
In addition
Furthermore
Moreover

PARALLELISM
Just as
In the same way that

DESCRIBING AUTHORIAL ACTION
X claims that…
X suggests that…
X argues that…
X observes that…
X acknowledges that…
X concedes that…
X demonstrates that…
X emphasizes that…
X agrees that…
X denies that…
X reminds us that…
X refutes the claim that…
X questions whether…
X urges us to…

INTRODUCING QUOTATIONS
X states, "…"
As the researcher X puts it, "…"
According to X, "…"
In X's view, "…"
In his book, [*Title*], X maintains, "…"
Writing in the journal *Theory, Culture, and Society,* X asserts that, "…"
X complicates this understanding when she writes, "…"