

For this discussion board post (no response required), address how do you create coherence in a paragraph? Then, how does development relate to successful synthesis in your paragraph? And finally, how does correctly synthesizing sources help you avoid bullshit?

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Coherence which also means “clarity of expression” is created when correct vocabulary and grammar are used, as well as expressing oneself clearly and making sure what one is writing is on topic to what is being asked to discuss. The goal of writing is to create a communication between the author and the reader. Without coherence, the reader may feel confused by inconsistent words and sentences that turn difficult to understand. According to the YouTube video “Paragraph Organization and Flow,” “coherence can be built up by creating logical bridges and transition words.” In addition, pronouns and synonyms are also capable of changing the information being presented if they are not being used correctly.

However, a good paragraph can not be complete without good development. The pillars of the structure of development can be remembered by means of mnemonic. For example, we must always remember TTEB, which stands for transition, topic sentence, evidence, and a brief wrap-up. This makes it easy to present general information, focus on the direction of the paper, explain specific information, support our paper with facts, and conclude the ideas previously exposed. This process leads to a successful synthesis since it creates a paragraph balance, where the ideas are well introduced and later on supported by arguments that lead to a good conclusion. This helps the reader understand the topic being discussed and the author’s position.

Correctly synthesizing sources help writers to be specific and clear with their ideas. This leads to better communication and avoids the use of “unnecessary bullshit.” For example, in the “Science Weekly Podcast,” they stated “one of the most salient features of our culture is that there is so much bullshit.” If writers choose relevant sources that are most beneficial to the deliverance of the writing’s message, they help keep their audience engaged and clear on the author’s position and ideas.

