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Lecture: Understanding Coherence and Cohesion in Academic Writing Course:

Academic Writing / Academic Research Level:

Third-year undergraduate students Language:

Lecture Objectives

By the end of this lecture, students will be able to:

- Define cohesion and coherence in academic writing.
 - Understand the difference between the two concepts.
 - Identify cohesive devices and strategies to improve coherence.
 - Apply these concepts to improve their writing structure and clarity.
1. Introduction Clear and effective writing is not only about grammar and vocabulary. Two critical elements that make writing understandable and easy to follow are:
 2. • Cohesion – how sentences and ideas stick together
 3. • Coherence – how clearly and logically ideas are organized
 4. 2. **What is Cohesion?**
 5. Cohesion refers to the grammatical and lexical connections between sentences and parts of a text. It's about surface structure: how parts of the sentence are linked using words and phrases. ✎ □ Examples of Cohesive Devices:
 6. • Pronouns: he, she, it, they
 7. • Conjunctions: and, but, because, although • Transitional words: however, therefore, in addition, on the other hand
 8. • Repetition / Synonyms: using the same words or related terms Example: The weather was bad. Therefore, the flight was delayed. □
 9. 3. **What is Coherence?** Coherence refers to the logical flow and clarity of ideas in a text. It's about how well the ideas are organized, whether the reader can easily understand the writer's point, and whether the text "makes sense" as a whole. Coherence comes from:
 10. • Clear topic sentences
 11. • Logical structure
 12. • Smooth transitions
 13. • Consistency in argument or theme Example (Poor Coherence): I love coffee. My sister went to France. It rained yesterday. Better Coherence: I love coffee. I usually drink it in the morning before work. It helps me stay focused throughout the day.
 - 14.4. **Key Differences:** Cohesion vs. Coherence
Feature Focus Cohesion
Surface connection of sentences Coherence Deep logical connection of ideas
Tools Visible? Example Tool Grammatical and lexical devices Yes – can be identified easily Structure, logic, clarity Not always visible – based on reader understanding Pronouns, conjunctions, transition words Paragraph unity,

logical order Without it? Text feels “disconnected” on the sentence level Text feels “confusing” or illogical 3 □

15.5. **Practice Examples** Example 1: Cohesion but No Coherence I woke up late. Therefore, I didn’t have time for breakfast. As a result, I missed the bus. On the other hand, I love watching movies. ✓ Cohesive – uses correct connectors ✗ Not coherent – the last sentence is off-topic Example 2: Coherence but Weak Cohesion My father was a strict man. He expected everyone to follow his rules. The house had a lot of structure. I learned discipline at an early age. ✓ Logically connected ideas ✗ Needs more linking words to improve flow Improved: My father was a strict man. As a result, he expected everyone to follow his rules. Because of this, the house had a lot of structure. Consequently, I learned discipline at an early age

6. How to Improve Cohesion and Coherence

For Cohesion:

- Use appropriate transition words and linking devices.
- Avoid overusing the same word – use synonyms or pronouns.
- Make sure subjects and verbs agree across sentences.

For Coherence:

- Outline before writing – have a clear introduction, body, and conclusion.
- Make sure each paragraph has one clear main idea.
- Use topic sentences and supporting details.
- Maintain a logical order (chronological, cause-effect, etc.)

Useful Resources

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