

Reporting Words/Phrases

Reporting verbs are an essential part of academic writing. These verbs are used to introduce a quote or a paraphrase. Avoid using the same reporting verb or phrase. Also, make sure you understand what the word means as they can indicate your thoughts about the claim being made.

Here is a list of some reporting words and phrases:

acknowledge	declare	maintain	reiterate
add	decree	mention	rejoin
address	demand	narrate	relate
admit	deny	note	remark
affirm	denounce	object	remonstrate
agree	describe	observe	repeat
announce	dictate	order	reply
argue	disclose	petition	reprimand
articulate	divulge	plead	request
ask	elaborate	point out	respond
assert	enunciate	preach	reveal
attest	exclaim	proclaim	rule
beg	exhort	profess	state
boast	explain	pronounce	said
brag	hold	propose	stipulate
call	hesitate	protest	suggest
charge	hint	prove	suppose
claim	implore	query	swear
comment	indicate	question	talk
complain	infer	quibble	testify
concede	inform	quote	think
conclude	inquire	rant	tell
concur	insinuate	read	translate
confess	insist	reason	urge
confirm	interject	rebut	utter
confide	interrogate	recite	vow
contest	intimate	recognize	warn
continue	lament	recount	
contradict	lecture	refute	
debate	lie	regret	