



Using evidence

Useful expressions and terms

1) Stating your own Position on a Subject or Topic

The aim of this paper is [to claim that...]
The point of this article is [to claim that...]
It shall be argued in this paper/review/thesis that...
The view presented in this paper/review/thesis is that...
The argument advanced in this paper is that...
The point of view expressed in this paper is that...
The perspective presented here is that...
The point of view argued here is that...

2) Stating the view of another person or subject or topic

Smith claims that...
Smith thinks that...
Smith's argument is that...
Smith's conclusion is that...
Smith's claim is that...
Smith's point is that...
Smith's point of view is that...
According to Smith...
From Smith's point of view, it can be seen that...
The point of Smith's article/paper is that...
The substance of Smith's article/paper is that...
The upshot of Smith's argument /paper/article is that...
Smith's work/data allows him to draw the conclusion that...
Smith's work/data leads him to the conclusion that...
Some theorists, such as Smith (2024) think that...
It is thought by some theorists, for example, Jones (2023) and Smith (2024) that...

3) Drawing a conclusion using the work of others

The conclusion of this is that...
The result of this is that...
An outcome of this is that...
An upshot of this is that...
A consequence of this is that...
When Smith's work is examined closely it is seen that...
When Smith's argument is analysed it can be seen that...
Looking at Smith's work/ argument in detail, it can be seen that...

Analysing Smith's data shows that...
Developing Smith's argument to its logical conclusion shows that...
One possible consequence of Smith's work is that...
From Smith's work it can be determined that...
One outcome of Smith's work is that...
The following point can be brought out of Smith's work...
The following argument can be brought out of Smith's work...
Using Smith's work it is possible to show that.../argue that...
Using the work of Smith (2024) and Jones (2023) it can be shown that.../argued that...

4) Disagreeing with the views of others

It can be argued that...
The argument against Smith is....
The disagreement with Smith is that....
Unlike Smith it can be suggested/claimed/argued/proposed that....
Contrary to the views of Smith it shall be shown that...
Smith's arguments do not seem to work for the reason that...
In contrast to Smith's view/argument/data...
The argument being advanced here is opposed to that of Smith...
It does not seem to follow from Smith's work/data that...
Smith's data/arguments seem to be faulty due to...
Analysing Smith's work in this way, it can be seen/one can see that...
Problems arise in Smith's work when...

5) Agreeing with the views of others

As Smith says...
This is also Smith's view.
The argument made here is similar to Smith's view that...
Following from Smith's point...
Not unlike Smith (2024), it can be suggested/proposed/argued that....
The view put forward here is largely in agreement with that of Smith...
The view put forward here is in total agreement with that of Smith...

6) Attributing a view to another person

Smith's claim seems to be that...
Smith seems to be claiming that...
Smith's argument seems to be that...
Smith's conclusion seems to be that...
The point of Smith's article seems to be that...