

Templates and Verbs for Introducing Summaries and Quotations

Verbs for making a claim:

Argue, assert, believe, claim, emphasize, insist, observe, remind us, report, suggest

Verbs for expressing agreement:

Acknowledge, admire, agree, endorse, extol, praise, celebrate the fact that, corroborate, do not deny, reaffirm, support, verify

Verbs for questioning or disagreeing:

Complain, complicate, contend, contradict, deny, deplore the tendency to, qualify, question, refute, reject, renounce, repudiate

Verbs for making recommendations:

Advocate, call for, demand, encourage, exhort, implore, plead, recommend, urge, warn

Templates for Introducing Quotations:

X states, “_____.”

As the prominent scientist X puts it, “_____.”

According to X, “_____.”

X herself writes, “_____.”

In her book, *Ciao, Michelangelo*, X maintains that “_____.”

Writing in the journal *Arts Now*, X complains that “_____.”

In X’s view, “_____.”

X agrees/disagrees when she writes, “_____.”

X complicates matters further when she writes, “_____.”

Templates for Explaining Quotations:

Basically, X is warning that

In other words, X believes that

In making this comment, X urges us to

X is corroborating the age-old adage that

X’s point is that

The essence of X’s argument is that