

Verbs for Writing



This list of verbs will help strengthen your argument when citing a source.

For example “According to Arnold and Boggs (2009),...

”Arnold and Boggs (2009) suggest...“.

- ◇ According to
- ◇ Agrees
- ◇ Asserts
- ◇ Believes
- ◇ Claims
- ◇ Defines
- ◇ Compares
- ◇ Describes
- ◇ Explains
- ◇ Explores
- ◇ Identifies
- ◇ Observes
- ◇ Points out
- ◇ Provides evidence
- ◇ Reports
- ◇ Shows
- ◇ States
- ◇ Suggests