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Signal Words

The following is a list of words you can use to signal the reader that the information mentioned or the quote being introduced came from a particular person or source. They offer you the option of letting a character or an author do more than just “say” something. Not all of these words fit in all situations. Use this list as a resource to find the best fit for your particular sentence.

Acknowledges	Concludes	Enumerates	Offers
Adds	Confirms	Establishes	Points Out
Analyzes	Considers	Expresses	Presents
Argues	Contends	Finds	Professes
Asks	Continues	Illustrates	Proposes
Assents	Declares	Implies	Protests
Asserts	Defines	Informs	Recalls
Assures	Denounces	Insists	Reiterates
Attests	Describes	Introduces	Relates
Claims	Details	Lists	Remarks
Clarifies	Disagrees	Maintains	Repeats
Comments	Discusses	Mentions	Reports
Compares	Emphasizes	Notes	Reveals
Conceded	Explains	Observes	Says
Sees	Speculates	Suggests	Thinks
Shows	States	Tells	Writes