# Academic Vocabulary

(Nowadays) = In recent years; In recent times; Recently; Currently; Today

(Besides) = Additionally; What's more; Furthermore; It is also true that,

(As we all know) = It is well known that; It is generally agreed that; It is widely accepted / understood / believed that / It is generally believed that

(hot topic) = a controversial issue; a contentious problem

(get) = attain; receive; earn; make;

(getting) = becoming; growing

(got) = acquired; attained; received

(big) = major; large; important; significant

(more and more) = an increasing number / a growing / rising number (for countable nouns) / an increasing amount; a growing amount (for uncountable nouns); increasingly

(just) = as few as (countable); as little as (uncountable)

(good) = preferable; beneficial; effective; advantageous

(bad) = undesireable; not preferable; poor; ineffective

(a lot of) = many; a considerable number of (for countable nouns); a great deal / amount of / a considerable amount of (for uncountable nouns)

(a lot) = considerably; significantly

(really) = highly; notably; greatly; abundantly