

Adding Sophistication

voice, boosters, personal opinion

Adding Voice

Verb	Use	Example
reveal	previously hidden	Jones (2003) reveals that some commercial water companies have bribed local officials.
allege	claim without proof	Cooper (1999) alleges that governments are censoring the media without informing the public.
reject	to oppose	Smith (2002) rejects the idea that the public are unaware of media censorship.
exaggerate	too much emphasis	Jensen (2015) exaggerates the impact of violent content on teenagers.
imply	indirectly mentioned	Roberts (2002) implies that there is corruption within the government.

Boosters

While [hedging](#) helps you to indicate the limits of your position, [boosters](#) allow you to [express certainty](#) and [increase the authority](#) of your voice.

Identify the Boosters:

It is clear that critical thinking is a skill that is both objectively valuable and obviously useful.

Terms Used as Boosters

actually always apparent certain that certainly it is clear/clearly	definitely doubtless essential in fact indeed we know must	never no doubt of course obvious(ly) prove well-known
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Personal Opinion

It is the opinion of this author that...

One could argue that ...

This becomes clear when one examines ...

The limitations of ... become evident if one considers ...

After considering the abovementioned argument, one is reminded of ...

Writing Task

When writing body paragraphs:

Things to keep in mind:

1. Logical Organisation
2. Relevant Evidence
3. Cohesive Devices
4. Hedging, Voice, Boosters
5. Personal Opinion
6. Thematic Vocabulary
7. Variety of Grammatical Structures