

Phrases for Commenting on Evidence

Introduce	Interpret	Explain	Expand
What is the author's authority? Where does this appear?	What does it mean or show?	Why is this important or interesting?	How could this be expanded? What questions does this raise?
 As the prominent [insert background e.g., author, theorist, philosopher] X puts it, "" X states/argues that X describes/defines as According to X In their book, X maintains that "" Writing in, X explains that "" In X's view, "" 	 The evidence/quotation shows/suggests/indicates that These results imply that X infers from this evidence that In making this comment, X urges us to X's point is that The essence of X's argument is that This viewpoint adds weight to the argument that 	 X's viewpoint is important because This example helps to demonstrate X's definition/viewpoint of is pertinent because This is crucial in terms of as These findings have important implications for 	 A possible alternative to, could be to This raises the question In the context of, X's definition could be expanded to include Building upon X's suggestion, a possible solution could be to



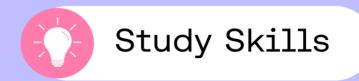


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Compare/Contrast	Agree	Disagree	Mixed Response
How are the sources similar or different?	Do you agree? Why?	Do you disagree? Why?	Do you have a mixed response?
 Similarly, X found that In agreement with X, Y comments that A broader perspective has been adopted by X who argues that Unlike X, Y argues that In contrast to X, Y believes that Conversely, X comments that X refutes the claim that X complicates matters further by commenting "" 	 X's theory of is useful because Equivalent results have also been found in Other results confirm this conclusion such as This view is also supported by who writes that 	 Although X claims, X contradicts this by X fails to fully define what However, the author overlooks the fact that What X fails to do is draw a distinction between The key problem with this explanation is that However, this theory does not fully explain why One criticism of much of the literature on X is that 	 While it is true that, it does not necessary follow that On the one hand, X is right to say On the other hand, But the view that does not fit all the facts.





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