

Verbs and verb+noun forms used for reporting the ideas of others

Making statements, giving opinions and arguing

to argue that
to present/put forward the argument that
to assert that
to make the assertion that
to believe that
to claim that
to make the claim that
to conclude that
to reach the conclusion that
to consider that
to contend that
to demonstrate that
to emphasise that
to express the view/opinion that
to hypothesise that
to present the hypothesis that
to insist that
to make it clear that
to make the point that
to reason that
to recommend that
to make a recommendation that
to say that
to show that
to state that
to stipulate that
to stress that
to suggest that
to make the suggestion that
to think that

Making observations and referring to sources or data

to find that
to indicate that
to note that
to observe that
to make an observation that
to point out that
to report that
to show that
to quote somebody
to cite somebody
to refer to something/somebody
to document something
to draw upon something

Defining and Describing

to categorise something as
to divide something into categories
to classify something as
to describe something as
to define something as
to give a definition of something as
to give an example of something
to identify something as
to illustrate something
to give an illustration of something
to liken something to
to refer to something/somebody as

Agreeing with another viewpoint

to accept that
to acknowledge that
to admit that
to agree that
to agree with somebody that
to be in agreement with somebody that
to concede that
to make the concession that
to recognise that
to support something (the view/argument) that