

Useful language for annotated bibliographies

Introducing the text

This exploratory study is one ...
Using a quantitative study design, this work aims to ...
The authors of this book describe ...Their focus is...

Summarising the main arguments

The authors of this book chapter argue that...
They then describe X as...
The authors go on to explain that...
This idea is exemplified in a description of...

Describing the method and results of a research paper

In this study, the authors used a...
The study protocol involved...
The study adopted a qualitative approach involving...
The results showed...
In short, the findings highlighted...

Evaluating the text: strengths

The study by Smith and Hawthorn has several strengths. Firstly, ...
The study offers a valuable...
The paper provides an in-depth discussion of....

Evaluating the text: limitations

Several limitations to this study need to be acknowledged.
One main limitation of the study is...
Unfortunately, only one method of data collection was used...
This paper suffers from a lack of...

Comparing the text to other published sources

Interestingly, the findings are contrary to other research that indicates...
Unlike other papers on X, this study uses...
In line with other research, this paper offers...

Describing the relevance or usefulness of the text

Overall, this article adds to the growing body of research supporting...
This article will be used in my research paper, in conjunction with...
This article is relevant to... because....

Reporting verbs

	aim intend	+ to + verb <i>to determine whether method X is successful.</i>
	argue assess assume claim conclude contend explain indicate maintain report state suggest	+that + clause <i>that method X was successful.</i>
The authors Smith and Hawthorn Cleland et al He/she/They	account for analyse clarify compare defend describe evaluate explain focus on highlight identify outline present question report on summarise	+ noun phrase <i>the success of method X.</i>