

Expressing a Point of View



Critical Writing

Critical writing is about developing a point of view. It requires analysis and evaluation. It means drawing on multiple sources to support your arguments.

Hedging

Hedging is about being cautious with your statements. You're still expressing a point of view. It means distinguishing between fact and opinion. It allows you to express uncertainty or indirectness.

Here are some sample phrases for inspiration:

- The key problem with this idea is...
- This account doesn't fully explain why...
- This explanation overlooks...
- This argument relies too heavily on...
- One criticism of the discourse on...
- The main weakness with this argument is...
- One of the limitations with this approach is that...
- This argument does not take into account...
- A serious weakness with this claim is that...
- One question that needs to be addressed is how...
- Several writers have questioned X's claim regarding...
- However, there is an inconsistency with this argument...
- This analysis fails to address...

- Strategies to improve X might involve...
- There is a possibility that...
- A reasonable approach to addressing this problem could be...
- One possible explanation for this might be that...
- The noticeable rise in X could be attributed to...
- Early reports suggest that there may be a reason for...
- It seems that there is a link between...
- There appears to be a need for...
- I would imagine that there are other reasons for...
- It's conceivable that...
- A potential implication is that...
- According to...there's a chance that...

*If you're feeling stuck on how to word something, change up your scenery.
Go do something else for a bit and get back to it!*