

# Academic Words

## For essay writing:

### Introduce opinions:

I believe  
I agree/disagree  
In my opinion

### Introduce a series of points:

Firstly, ... (First of all, ...)  
Secondly, (Another reason...)  
Thirdly, ...  
Finally, ...

### Give examples:

For example, ...  
For instance, ...

### Give *more* examples:

Furthermore, ...  
Also, ...  
In addition, ... / Additionally,  
...  
Moreover

### Express contrast:

Although/ though ...  
However, ...  
Nevertheless, ...  
On the one hand, ... / On the other hand, ...

### Give conclusion:

In conclusion, ...  
In summary, ...  
*[or simply state the conclusion]*

## General Academic Words – Most Frequently Used

analysis  
approach  
area  
assessment  
assume  
authority  
available  
benefit  
concept  
consistent  
constitutional  
context  
contract  
create  
data  
definition  
derived  
distribution  
economic  
environment  
established  
estimate  
evidence  
export  
factors  
financial  
formula  
function  
identified  
income  
indicate  
individual  
interpretation  
involved  
issues  
labor  
legal

legislation  
major  
method  
occur  
percent  
period  
policy  
principle  
procedure  
process  
required  
research  
response  
role  
section  
sector  
significant  
similar  
source  
specific  
structure  
theory  
variables

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