

PHRASE

Some alternatives for “*the writer*”:

- “the journalist” (if it’s an article)
- “the editor” or “the editorial team” (if it’s an editorial)
- “the correspondent” (if it’s a letter to the editor)
- use their last name

Some alternatives to “*the writer says*”:

- the writer forcefully/energetically/strongly argues that
- contends that
- develops the proposition / idea / argument that
- confronts the notion that
- advances the argument that
- pleads the case for
- urges / considers that
- shows / attempts to show that
- counters / replies that
- seeks to persuade us that
- puts the case for
- maintains that
- concludes that
- expresses the view that
- observes / explains that
- condemns / criticises the position of
- offers evidence / the argument that
- puts forward the case that
- stresses the point that
- establishes the position that
- complains that
- admits / concedes that
- refutes / rejects the evidence / view that
- reasons / explains that
- sympathises with the view that
- maintains that

Some *linking phrases* between sections in the essay:

- ... similarly / in a similar vein / way ...
- ... consequently / in a subsequent section ...
- ... for this reason ...
- ... in addition ...
- ... furthermore / moreover ...
- ... thus / therefore ...
- ... in contrast with ...
- ... although / despite ...
- ... at the other extreme ...
- ... by contrast, ...
- ... on the contrary, ...
- ... less obviously / explicitly ...
- ... in parallel to this ...