INTEGRATING QUOTATIONS

Authors don’t just say!

SIGNAL PHRASES are words that let the reader know a quotation will follow. The phrase you choose should be appropriate to the quotation and its relationship to the ideas being discussed. The following list includes common signal words:

Example: Myers acknowledges that “insert quote here”.

Acknowledges

Adds

Admits

Agrees

Argues

As [name] explains

Asks

Asserts

Believes

Claims

Comments

Concludes

Considers

Contends

Describes

Disagrees

Emphasizes

Explains

Finds

Holds that

Illustrates

Insists

Maintains

Notes

Observes

Points out

Predicts

Proposes

Rejects

Reports

Responds

Reveals

Says

Shows

Speculates

Suggests

Thinks

Writes