



# Over 300 Ways to Say "Said"

The difference between a boring paper and an interesting one can sometimes be a matter of word choice. When revising, check your paper for general, boring verbs like "is" and "said." See if you can come up with a more accurate, and interesting, way to say (demonstrate/explain/show/enunciate) what you want to say (illustrate/discuss/prove/articulate).

**abjured**  
accused  
acknowledged  
acquiesced  
acquired  
added  
addressed  
admitted  
admonished  
advised  
affirmed  
agreed  
alleged  
allowed  
alluded  
announced  
answered  
apologized  
appealed  
approved  
argued  
articulated  
asked  
assented  
asserted  
asseverated  
assumed  
assured  
attested  
averted  
attributed  
avouched  
avowed

**babbled**  
baited  
bantered  
bargained  
barked  
bawled

began  
begged  
believed  
belittled  
bellowed  
berated  
beseeched  
besought  
bleated  
blew up  
blubbered  
blurted  
blustered  
boasted  
boomed  
bragged  
breathed  
broke in

**cackled**  
cajoled  
calculated  
called  
cannonaded  
caroled  
cautioned  
challenged  
changed  
chanted  
charged  
chatted  
chattered  
cheered  
chided  
chipped in  
choked  
chortled  
chuckled  
churned  
cited



claimed  
clamored  
coaxed  
comforted  
commanded  
commented  
communicated  
complained  
conceded  
concluded  
concurred  
confessed  
confided  
confirmed  
confuted  
consented  
consoled  
contended  
condescended  
contested  
continued  
contradicted  
contributed  
cooed  
coughed  
counseled  
countered  
coughed  
crabbed  
cried  
criticized  
croaked  
crooned  
cross-examined  
cursed  
cussed

**debated**  
decided  
declared



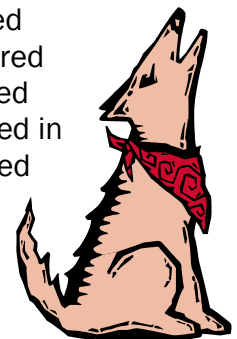
declined  
decreed  
defended  
delivered  
demanded  
denied  
denounced  
described  
determined  
dictated  
discussed  
disrupted  
divulged  
drawled  
droned

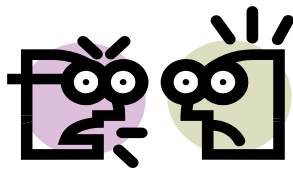
**echoed**  
edited  
elaborated  
emphasized  
ended  
enjoined  
enjoyed  
entreated  
enumerated  
enunciated  
equivocated  
exaggerated  
exclaimed  
exhorted  
expatiated  
explained  
exploded  
exposed  
expounded  
expostulated  
expressed  
extended  
extolled

**faltered**  
feared  
foretold  
frowned  
fumed

**gagged**  
gaped  
gibbered  
giggled  
gloated  
goaded  
granted  
grinned  
greeted  
groaned  
growled  
grumbled  
grunted  
guessed  
guffawed  
gulped  
gurgled  
gushed

**hastened**  
hedged  
held  
hemmed and  
hawed  
hesitated  
hinted  
hissed  
hollered  
hooted  
horned in  
howled





**imitated**  
 imparted  
 implied  
 implored  
 imported  
 indicated  
 inferred  
 informed  
 inquired  
 insinuated  
 insisted  
 instructed  
 insulted  
 interjected  
 interposed  
 interpreted  
 interrogated  
 interrupted  
 intimidated  
 intoned  
 itemized

**jabbered**  
 jeered  
 jested  
 joked  
 joshed  
 judged

**lambasted**  
 lamented  
 laughed  
 lectured  
 lied  
 lisped  
 listed

**made known**  
 magnified  
 maintained  
 maligned  
 marveled  
 mentioned  
 mimicked  
 moaned  
 mocked  
 mourned

mumbled  
 murmured  
 mused  
 muttered

**nagged**  
 narrated  
 nodded  
 noted  
 notified

**objected**  
 observed  
 offered  
 orated  
 ordered

**panted**  
 perceived  
 persisted  
 persuaded  
 pestered  
 petitioned  
 piped up  
 pleaded  
 pledged  
 pointed out  
 pondered  
 pouted  
 praised  
 prayed  
 preached  
 predicted  
 prevaricated  
 proceeded  
 proclaimed  
 prodded  
 profaned  
 professed  
 promised  
 prompted  
 prophesied  
 proposed  
 protested  
 purred  
 pursued  
 put in

**quacked**  
 qualified  
 quarreled  
 quavered  
 queried  
 questioned  
 quibbled  
 quipped  
 quoted

**raged**  
 railed  
 rambled  
 rattled off  
 raved  
 rebuffed  
 recalled  
 recited  
 reckoned  
 recommended  
 reconciled  
 recorded  
 recounted  
 recriminated  
 referred  
 refused  
 regretted  
 reiterated  
 rejoined  
 remained  
 remembered  
 reminded  
 remonstrated  
 renounced  
 repeated  
 replied  
 reported  
 reprehended  
 reprimanded  
 requested  
 resolved  
 responded  
 restated  
 resumed  
 retorted  
 revealed  
 roared  
 rumbled

**sang**  
 sang out  
 scoffed  
 scolded  
 scorned  
 screamed  
 screeched  
 sermonized  
 shifted  
 shouted  
 shrieked

**shrilled**  
 shrugged  
 sighed  
 sizzled  
 slurred  
 slurred  
 smiled  
 smoldered  
 snapped  
 snarled  
 sneered  
 snickered  
 snorted  
 sobbed  
 soliloquied  
 soothed  
 specified  
 spelled  
 spoke  
 spurted  
 sputtered  
 squawked  
 squeaked  
 squealed  
 stammered  
 stated  
 stormed  
 stressed  
 struggled  
 stuttered  
 submitted  
 suggested  
 surmised  
 swore  
 sympathized

**tantalized**  
 tattled  
 taunted  
 teased  
 testified  
 thanked  
 thought  
 threatened  
 told  
 twanged  
 twittered

**urged**  
 uttered

**vaunted**  
 validated  
 ventured  
 verbalized  
 verified  
 voiced  
 volunteered

**wailed**  
 want to know  
 wangled  
 warbled  
 warned  
 wavered  
 whined  
 whispered  
 wondered  
 wore on  
 worried

**yearned**  
 yakked  
 yapped  
 yelled  
 yelped  
 yowled



