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Introductory Words and Phrases	Transitions	Opinion Clues
I think	First/second/third	Always/Never
I believe	First of all	Awful/Wonderful
I feel	Next	Beautiful/Ugly
In my opinion	After that	Better/Best/Worst
My favorite	Additionally	Delicious/Disgusting
The best	Equally important	Definitely
I strongly believe	Consequently	Enjoyable/Horrible
From my point of view	Besides	Favorite
It's my belief	Further/furthermore	For/Against
Based on what I know	Clearly	Good/Bad
I am convinced	Obviously	Inferior/Superior
Speaking for myself	In addition	Oppose/Support
I know you will have to agree that	For all these reasons	Terrible
I am confident that	Finally	Unfair
	In conclusion	Worthwhile

FUNCTIONAL LANGUAGE

giving opinions

As far as I'm concerned ...
In my opinion ... In my view ...
From my point of view ...
The way I see it is (that) ...
To my mind ...
Well, I reckon (that) ...
I (strongly) believe (that) ...
I (honestly) think (that) ...
I (really) feel (that) ...
Personally speaking, I believe ...
As for me, I reckon ...

asking opinions

What do you think/reckon?
Do you see what I'm getting at?
Do you know/see what I mean?
Do you agree with me?
Would you go along with that?
Would you agree with me that ...?
What are your thoughts on that?
Don't you think (that) ... ?

agreeing

I (totally) agree with you/that.
I couldn't agree more.
I'd go along with that.
I feel the same.
You're absolutely right.
Absolutely/Definitely/Exactly.
No doubt about it.
That's a good point / I see your point.
I see where you're coming from.

disagreeing

I'm afraid I disagree.
I don't agree with you/that.
I'd be inclined to disagree.
That's not the way I see it.
I don't think so / I don't feel the same

partly agreeing

I see your point but ...
I kind of agree with you/that.
I agree with you to an extent, however, ...
You make a good point, but ...



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