

Reporting Verbs Exercise

Use these verbs in the spaces below - grammar is important too!

**States, conclude, claim, argue, mention, note, reject, suggest, question, emphasise,
discuss, point out, explain**

0. Wills (2020) **states** that genetically modified (GM) food can be harmful for the body. *(says directly)*
1. Jones (2018) _____ the importance of building restoration to a country's economy. *(refers to briefly)*
2. Harris (2021) _____ that Bitcoin has no value whatsoever. *(says indirectly that something is true)*
3. Ackroyd et al. (2020) _____ whether the use of facial recognition software is ethical. *(suggests it is inaccurate)*
4. Krashen (1981) _____ that language acquisition does not need extensive use of grammar rules. *(to examine the key points)*
5. Samuel and Preston (2021) _____ that the increase spending for councils in England is not adequate enough to address the issues in the care sector. *(they give reasons for their view)*
6. Watson (2021) **claims** that he has had a major breakthrough in the fight against cancer. *(says something is true directly, and firmly, often used when others disagree)*
7. Asprey (2018) _____ that exercise is a powerful anti-aging tool. *(to highlight an important point)*
8. Banks (2021) _____ how the UK government plans to launch a rocket into orbit next year. *(give clear details about something)*
9. Parker (2019) _____ that a reduction in the manufacturing of single-use plastics is necessary to reduce plastic pollution. *(the final point or summary)*
10. Robinson and Williams (2022) _____ the claims that 5G technology poses a threat to humans. *(disagree with somebody or a theory)*
11. Dawes et al. (2021) _____ that a quarter of all adults in the UK used mobile payments in 2020. *(states but does not develop at length)*
12. Madley (2022) _____ that robots will be an important investment in most industries. *(to say just briefly)*

Answers

1. Jones (2018) **mentions** the importance of building restoration to a country's economy. *(refers to briefly)*
2. Harris (2021) **suggests** that Bitcoin has no value whatsoever. *(says indirectly that something is true)*
3. Ackroyd et al. (2020) **questions** whether the use of facial recognition software is ethical. *(suggests it is inaccurate)*
4. Krashen (1981) **discusses** that language acquisition does not need extensive use of grammar rules. *(to examine the key points)*
5. Samuel and Preston (2021) **argue** that the increase spending for councils in England is not adequate enough to address the issues in the care sector. *(they give reasons for their view)*
6. Watson (2021) **claims** that he has had a major breakthrough in the fight against cancer. *(says something is true directly, and firmly, often used when others disagree)*
7. Asprey (2018) **emphasises** that exercise is a powerful anti-aging tool. *(to highlight an important point)*
8. Banks (2021) **explains** how the UK government plans to launch a rocket into orbit next year. *(give clear details about something)*
9. Parker (2019) **concludes** that a reduction in the manufacturing of single-use plastics is necessary to reduce plastic pollution. *(the final point or summary)*
10. Robinson and Williams (2022) **reject** the claims that 5G technology poses a threat to humans. *(disagree with somebody or a theory)*
11. Dawes et al. (2021) **points out** that a quarter of all adults in the UK used mobile payments in 2020. *(states but does not develop at length)*
12. Madley (2022) **notes** that robots will be an important investment in most industries. *(to say just briefly)*