



Sentence Stems for Conceding and Refuting

Task: Use the table to help you concede a counterclaim, refute it, or do both!

Conceding	Refuting	Conceding & Refuting
"It's true that ____."	"But that's not the whole story."	"It's true that ____, but that doesn't mean ____."
"I agree that ____."	"That's not true because ____."	"I understand why someone would think ____, but ____."
"Some people are right when they say ____."	"Actually, the evidence shows something different: ____."	"Even though ____, ____ is still true."
"I can see why someone would think ____."	"This doesn't hold up because ____."	"Yes, _____. But ____."