

**topic**

The theme/topic/subject of the text is... /the text deals with...

The author discusses the question whether... /the issues I want to discuss/mention here are...

**intention**

The author intends to/draws the reader's attention towards/ appeals to the reader/wants to convince...

**structure**

The text divides into/consists of...parts/paragraphs/...in the second/third paragraph, the author compares/deals with... /The main problem/conclusion/ solution can be found in the passage from x to x...

**author's attitude**

The author claims/ doubts/ agrees with/ disagrees with/ is certain that/implies that...

**author's competence**

The author has deep insight/ is aware of/ is well-informed about/ shows profound or superficial knowledge about...

**author's argumentation**

The author illustrates/supports his arguments by/summarizes/deduces/puts forward...

**style**

The author employs/uses formal/informal/neutral style/similes/personification/figurative speech/metaphorical language.../personifies/alludes to/symbolizes...

an example of... (stylistic device) can be found in line x/the passage is full of colloquial/slang/taboo words... /The metaphor is taken from the field/world of technology, science/nature/mythology...

**tone**

the tone of the text is neutral/ironical/sad/optimistic/pessimistic...

the angry/moderate tone is meant to/ intended to...

**Linking Words (Satzverknüpfungen):**

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surely/ certainly/ definitely

as well as/on the one hand... on the other hand/in the same way

furthermore/ moreover/in addition/ besides/also/ last but not least/ first... then... finally/...,too./not only... but also/ another point to consider is...

yet/however (beides heißt: jedoch oder dennoch)

although/though = obwohl /nevertheless = dennoch/ after all/ maybe/perhaps/except for...

but/ in contrast to/ whereas/while/ on the contrary/ even so/despite/ in spite of

therefore/as a result/ consequently/ for that reason/the effect of this is...

to sum up/ in conclusion/ at last/ finally/ in short/ to cut a long story short/ in the whole/ in general/ we can clearly see that,...

as/ since/ because (alle drei heißen: da, weil)/thanks to

concerning/ relating to/ regarding/ as far as ... is concerned

in my opinion/ in my view/to my mind/ personally/ as far as I am concerned/my feeling is that...