

I say...	They say...
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Texting is allowing for more creativity</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Texting is destroying the language</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Prescriptive rules are naturally broken and meaning isn't lost with it</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Prescriptive rules should be followed because they're the correct way</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>There's a difference between formal and informal writing</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Kids don't know how to write anymore</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Change in language should be embraced</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Not all changes are good</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>English has gotten better</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>English has gone downhill</li> </ul>

Still need to investigate: formal vs. informal writing and the ability to juggle both

Not yet explored: different uses of English across cultures (find examples), different scientific studies relating to use of English (for whatever)

Questions that still need answering: does texting *actually* have a negative impact on writing ability; what things have we accepted that have actually made the language vaguer/more obscure; what are some of the reasons why people are stickler to prescriptive rules (social? cultural? political?); how has change helped in the past;

On paraphrase: Still cite paraphrased information.

Rules:

Read the source (multiple times)

Understand the source

Put it away

Write it

Check it

Don't have to cite common knowledge, something you find in many different sources

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Current essay: chunked into point-by-point rather than source-by-source.

First paragraph: general, impartial introduction

Second paragraph: elegance or language; general view of language going downhill in modern times

Third paragraph: bring up social media and its effects on the writings of younger generations

Need to find more points from side that opposes changes in language. (Having trouble finding too many.) A lot of good information on the side supporting the changes, though.

Structure of essay: contains both support and rebuttals in paragraphs (from multiple sources). Should probably have it more separated.

Notes: Paraphrase more; stop coming up with things by yourself. Find more sources with support for opposition.