Giving Opinions

This is just my opinion, but...

This page lists useful expressions for the language function of giving opinions.

A2

- 1. I (really) think that ...
- 2. I believe (that) ...
- 3. I'm sure that ...
- 4. In my opinion / My opinion is ...

A2+/B1

- 1. I agree with ...
- 2. I feel that ...
- 3. I guess/imagine ...
- 4. I have no doubt that / I'm certain that ...
- 5. I strongly believe that ...
- 6. I've never really thought about this before, but ...
- 7. My personal opinion is that / Personally, my opinion is that ...
- 8. To be honest / In my honest opinion, ...

B1+

- 1. As far as I know, ...
- 2. I agree with the opinion of ...
- 3. I could be wrong, but ...
- 4. I'd definitely say that ...
- 5. I'd guess/imagine that ...
- 6. I'd say that ...
- 7. I'm absolutely certain that ...
- 8. I'm fairly confident that ...
- 9. I'm no expert (on this), but ...
- 10. I'm positive that ...
- 11. I'm pretty sure that ...
- 12. It seems to me that ...
- 13. It's a complicated/difficult issue, but ...
- 14. My (point of) view (on this) is ...
- 15. Obviously, ...
- 16. Some people may disagree with me, but ...
- 17. This is just my opinion, but ...
- 18. Without a doubt, ...
- 19. You probably won't agree, but ...
- 20. As far as I am concerned

B2

- 1. After much thought, ...
- 2. After weighing up both sides of the argument, ...
- 3. Although I can see both points of view / Although I can understand the opposite point of view, ...
- 4. As I see it, ...
- 5. Correct me if I'm wrong, but ...
- 6. For me/ From my point of view, ...
- 7. Frankly, ...
- 8. I am not very familiar with this topic, but ...
- 9. I do believe/ feel/think ...
- 10. I have come to the conclusion that ...

- 11. I might change my mind later, but ...
- 12. I reckon/suppose ...
- 13. I tend to think that ...
- 14. I'm not sure I'm the right person to ask, but / I have very limited experience of this, but ...
- 15. I'm pretty confident that ...
- 16. I've always thought that ...
- 17. If you ask me, ...
- 18. I'm (absolutely) convinced that ...
- 19. In my humble opinion / IMHO, ...
- 20. It could be said that ...
- 21. It seems clear to me that ...
- 22. It would seem to me that ...
- 23. My initial reaction is ...
- 24. Not everyone will/would agree with me, but ...
- 25. Personally speaking / Speaking for myself, ...
- 26. The way I see it (is) ...
- 27. To be (perfectly) frank, ...
- 28. To the best of my knowledge, ...
- 29. What I think is ...
- 30. You could say ...

B2+/C1

- 1. After giving this matter some (serious) thought, ...
- 2. As far as I'm concerned, ...
- 3. As the old saying goes, ...
- 4. Having given this question due consideration, ...
- 5. I am of the opinion that ...
- 6. I can't help thinking that ...
- 7. I know this is a minority view, but / I'm in the minority in thinking that ...
- 8. I tend towards the opinion that ...
- 9. I think it's fair/reasonable to say ...
- 10. I'll tell you what I think, ...
- 11. I'm entirely/quite convinced that ...
- 12. I've come the conclusion that ...
- 13. If I must come up with an opinion / If you (really) want my opinion, ...
- 14. In my limited experience, ...
- 15. It could/might well be that ...
- 16. Know what I think? ...
- 17. My opinion was best expressed by ... when s/he said/wrote ...
- 18. My view/position on this (issue) (is clear and) is that ...
- 19. Off the top of my head, ...
- 20. Plainly, ...
- 21. Quite frankly, ...
- 22. There is a part of me that says ...
- 23. This may well be controversial, but ...
- 24. To my mind / To my way of thinking, ...
- 25. To summarise my (rather complex) views on the matter, ...
- 26. What I always say is ...
- 27. With some reservations, ...
- 28. Without a shred/shadow of doubt, ...
- 29. You'd have to be crazy not to agree that / Any idiot can see that ...
- 30. The way I see things / it is this ...