Giving Opinions

This is just my opinion, but...

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

Elementary

I (really) think that …

I believe (that) …

I’m sure that …

In my opinion / My opinion is …

Pre-intermediate

I agree with …

I feel that …

I guess/imagine …

I have no doubt that / I’m certain that …

I strongly believe that …

I’ve never really thought about this before, but …

My personal opinion is that / Personally, my opinion is that …

To be honest / In my honest opinion, …

Intermediate

As far as I know, …

I agree with the opinion of …

I could be wrong, but …

I’d definitely say that …

I’d guess/imagine that …

I’d say that …

I’m absolutely certain that …

I’m fairly confident that …

I’m no expert (on this), but …

I’m positive that …

I’m pretty sure that …

It seems to me that …

It’s a complicated/difficult issue, but …

My (point of) view (on this) is …

Obviously, …

Some people may disagree with me, but …

This is just my opinion, but …

Without a doubt, …

You probably won’t agree, but …

Upper-intermediate

After much thought, …

After weighing up both sides of the argument, …

Although I can see both points of view / Although I can understand the opposite point of view, …

As I see it, ...

Correct me if I’m wrong, but …

For me/ From my point of view, …

Frankly, …

I am not very familiar with this topic, but …

I do believe/ feel/think …

I have come to the conclusion that …

I might change my mind later, but …

I reckon/suppose …

I tend to think that …

I’m not sure I’m the right person to ask, but / I have very limited experience of this, but …

I’m pretty confident that …

I’ve always thought that …

If you ask me, …

I'm (absolutely) convinced that …

In my humble opinion / IMHO, …

It could be said that …

It seems clear to me that …

It would seem to me that …

My initial reaction is …

Not everyone will/would agree with me, but …

Personally speaking / Speaking for myself, …

The way I see it (is) …

To be (perfectly) frank, …

To the best of my knowledge, …

What I think is …

You could say …

Advanced

After giving this matter some (serious) thought, …

As far as I'm concerned, …

As the old saying goes, …

Having given this question due consideration, …

I am of the opinion that …

I can’t help thinking that …

I know this is a minority view, but / I’m in the minority in thinking that …

I tend towards the opinion that …

I think it’s fair/reasonable to say …

I’ll tell you what I think, …

I’m entirely/quite convinced that …

I’ve come the conclusion that …

If I must come up with an opinion / If you (really) want my opinion, …

In my limited experience, …

It could/might well be that …

Know what I think? …

My opinion was best expressed by … when s/he said/wrote …

My view/position on this (issue) (is clear and) is that …

Off the top of my head, …

Plainly, …

Quite frankly, …

There is a part of me that says …

This may well be controversial, but …

To my mind / To my way of thinking, ...

To summarise my (rather complex) views on the matter, …

What I always say is …

With some reservations, …

Without a shred/shadow of doubt, …

You’d have to be crazy not to agree that / Any idiot can see that …