

99 Other Ways to Say “He Said”

added	noted	pledged	posed
designated	contended	cautioned	questioned
expected	recommended	claimed	conjectured
approved	reported	challenged	urged
believed	declared	stressed	advised
maintained	suggested	asked	credited
held that	opposed	requested	emphasized
attacked	demanded	promised	backed
called for	argued	condemned	favored
called on	regarded	replied	identified
laid out	insisted	exhorted	spelled out
indicated	acknowledged	deplored	digressed
announced	described	lamented	termed
conferred	singled out	assessed	refused
estimated	pointed out	boasted	criticized
advanced	cited	questioned	detailed
stated	listed	qualified	praised
presented	debated	called	feared
accused	concluded	categorized	outlined
predicted	rejected	testified	pronounced
expressed	confirmed	assured	spoke
agreed	considered	commented	talked
proposed	defended	told	whispered
concluded	charged	promoted	uttered
revealed	introduced	wondered	

OVER THREE HUNDRED WAYS TO SAY "SAID"

accused
acknowledged
acquiesced
acquired
added
admitted
admonished
advised
agreed
alleged
allowed
alluded
announced
answered
apologized
appeased
approved
argued
articulated
asked
assented
asserted
assured
attributed
babbled
baited
barked
bawled
began
begged
believed
bellowed
beseeched
besought
bleated
blubbered
boasted
bragged
breathed
broke in
cackled
cajoled
calculated
called
cannonaded
caroled
cautioned
challenged

charged
chatted
cheered
chided
chipped in
choked
chortled
chuckled
churned
cited
claimed
clamored
coaxed
comforted
commented
complained
conceded
concluded
concurred
confessed
confirmed
consented
consoled
contended
contested
continued
contributed
cooed
coughed
countered
cried
criticized
croaked
crooned
cross-examined
cursed
cussed
debated
decided
declared
declined
defended
demanded
denied
described
determined
interrogated
dictated

drawled
droned
echoed
edited
ejaculated
elaborated
emphasized
ended
entreated
enumerated
enunciated
exaggerated
exclaimed
exhorted
explained
exploded
expostulated
extolled
faltered
feared
frowned
fumed
gagged
gasp
gibbered
giggled
gloated
goaded
grinned
groaned
growled
grumbled
grunted
guessed
guffawed
gulped
gurgled
gushed
hastened
hesitated
hinted
hissed
hollered
hooted
horned in
howled
imitated
implied

implored
informed
inquired
insinuated
insisted
interjected
interposed
interpreted
interrupted
intimidated
intoned
jabbered
jeered
jested
joked
lambasted
lamented
laughed
lectured
lied
listed
made known
maligned
marveled
mentioned
mimicked
moaned
mocked
mourned
mumbled
murmured
mused
muttered
nagged
nodded
noted
objected
observed
offered
ordered
panted
perceived
persisted
persuaded
pestered
piped up
pleaded
pointed
pondered
pouted

praised
preached
predicted
prevaricated
proceeded
proclaimed
prodded
profaned
professed
promised
prompted
propheesied
proposed
protested
purred
pursued
put in
quavered
queried
questioned
quibbled
quipped
quoted
railed
raved
recalled
recited
recommended
regretted
reiterated
rejoined
remained
remembered
reminded
remonstrated
renounced
repeated
replied
reported
reprehended
reprimanded
requested
resolved
responded
resumed
retorted
revealed
roared
rumbled
sang
sang out

scoffed
scolded
scorned
screamed
screeched
sermonized
shifted
shouted
shrieked
shrilled
shrugged
sighed
sizzled
slurred
slurred
smiled
smoldered
snapped
snarled
sneered
snickered
snorted
sobbed
soliloquied
soothed
specified
spelled
spoke
spurted
sputtered
squawked
squeaked
squealed
stammered
stated
stormed
stressed
struggled
stuttered
submitted
suggested
surmised
swore
sympathized
tantalized
tattled
taunted
teased
testified
thought

**threatened
told
urged
uttered
vaunted
ventured
voiced
volunteered
wailed
want to know
warned
wavered
whispered
wondered
wore on
worried
yearned
yelled
yelped
yowled**