## IN-CLASS ACTIVITIES: REPORTING VERBS

## **#1. TAKE A LOOK**

- 1. Load the Student Writing data set into AntConc.
- 2. Run a concordance of  $\frac{*}{1}$  that and sort it by 0/1R/2R.
- 3. Browse the sorted concordance.
- 4. Write down the most frequent verbs that are used to report research or what someone said.
- 5. Unload the Student Writing data set and load the **Professional Writing** data set. Repeat the concordance search/sort from Step 2.
- 6. Write down the most frequent verbs that are used to report research or what someone said.
- 7. Compare your two lists. Circle the verbs you do not or rarely use to report research in your own writing.

## # 2 DATA DIGGING

In the **Professional Writing data set**, query the pattern  $\underline{not * that}$  and sort it by 2L/1L/0.

What is the function of this pattern for reporting research or what someone said?