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The Chi Square test of significance showed that RAs were not different in the use of engagement markers but English RAs contained significantly more hedges, boosters, attitude markers and self mentions. It is concluded that interactional resources play an important part in research article writing and their use is related to the writing cultures and norms. The difference in the use of interactional metadiscourseshows the differences of writing culture of Persian and English writers.  **Keywords**: Metadiscourse, Interactional Resources, Hedges, Boosters, Engagement Markers, Attitude Markers, Self Mentions. | | | | |  | | | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | | |  | | --- | | C:\Documents and Settings\user2\Desktop\February-2012-af.php_files\spacing.png[2012 Index](http://www.iranian-efl-journal.com/2012-Editions.php) | | C:\Documents and Settings\user2\Desktop\February-2012-af.php_files\spacing.png[2011 Index](http://www.iranian-efl-journal.com/2011-Editions.php) | | C:\Documents and Settings\user2\Desktop\February-2012-af.php_files\spacing.png[2010 Index](http://www.iranian-efl-journal.com/2010-Editions.php) | | C:\Documents and Settings\user2\Desktop\February-2012-af.php_files\spacing.png[2009 Index](http://www.iranian-efl-journal.com/2009-Editions.php) | | C:\Documents and Settings\user2\Desktop\February-2012-af.php_files\spacing.png[2008 Index](http://www.iranian-efl-journal.com/2008-Editions.php) | | C:\Documents and Settings\user2\Desktop\February-2012-af.php_files\spacing.png[Key Word Index](http://www.iranian-efl-journal.com/keywordsearch.php) | | C:\Documents and Settings\user2\Desktop\February-2012-af.php_files\spacing.png[Subject Index](http://www.iranian-efl-journal.com/subject-matter.php) | | C:\Documents and Settings\user2\Desktop\February-2012-af.php_files\spacing.png[TESOL](http://www.iranian-efl-journal.com/TESOL.php) | | C:\Documents and Settings\user2\Desktop\February-2012-af.php_files\spacing.pngI | | C:\Documents and Settings\user2\Desktop\February-2012-af.php_files\spacing.pngJ | | C:\Documents and Settings\user2\Desktop\February-2012-af.php_files\spacing.pngK | | C:\Documents and Settings\user2\Desktop\February-2012-af.php_files\spacing.pngS | | C:\Documents and Settings\user2\Desktop\February-2012-af.php_files\spacing.pngT | | C:\Documents and Settings\user2\Desktop\February-2012-af.php_files\spacing.pngT | | C:\Documents and Settings\user2\Desktop\February-2012-af.php_files\spacing.pngT | | C:\Documents and Settings\user2\Desktop\February-2012-af.php_files\spacing.pngT | | | C:\Documents and Settings\user2\Desktop\February-2012-af.php_files\bg_news_bttm.png [C:\Documents and Settings\user2\Desktop\February-2012-af.php_files\itaa.jpg](http://www.i-taa.com/)  [TESOL Asia](http://www.tesol.asia/)  [C:\Documents and Settings\user2\Desktop\February-2012-af.php_files\tesolphilippines.jpg](http://www.tesol.com.ph/index.php) | | |  | |  | | |
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