


Accountable Language Stems - Class Discussion

Agreement		Clarifying	Building On	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">▶ “I agree with ____ because ____.”▶ “I like what ____ said because ____.”▶ “____’s point about ____ is important because ____.”▶ “The evidence for ____ is overwhelming when you consider that ____.”▶ “Despite disagreeing about ____, I agree with ____ that ____.”▶ “I agree with ____; but on the other hand, ____.”		<ul style="list-style-type: none">▶ “Is it your position that ____?”▶ “To be clear, you are saying that ____.”▶ “I’m confused when you say _____. Can you elaborate?”▶ “Could you repeat that for me?”▶ “I am not sure I understood you when you said _____. Could you say more about that?”▶ “What’s your evidence?”▶ “I want to go back to what ____ said.”	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▶ “____ mentioned that ____.”▶ Yes- and to expand on that, ____.”▶ Adding to what ____ said, ____.”▶ “If we change ____ position just a little, we can see that ____.”▶ “My idea is similar to ____, but I would like to add ____.”	
Paraphrasing		<div>Let’s Talk About it!</div> 		Summarizing
<ul style="list-style-type: none">▶ “Put another way, you are saying ____.”▶ “So, you are saying that ____.”▶ “Is it fair to say you believe ____.”▶ “I hear you are saying that ____.”				<ul style="list-style-type: none">▶ “Overall, what I’m trying to say is ____.”▶ “My whole point in one sentence is ____.”▶ “More than anything else, I believe that ____.”
Disagreeing		Extension	Reporting a partner’s/ small group’s idea	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">▶ “I see it differently because ____.”▶ “The evidence I’ve seen such as ____ suggests something different because ____.”▶ “I agree with ____ but I disagree with ____, because ____.”▶ “I agree with ____ but we also have to consider that ____.”▶ “I disagree with ____ because ____.”▶ “I am not sure I agree with ____ said because ____.”▶ “I can see that ____; however, I can’t see ____.”		<ul style="list-style-type: none">▶ “I was thinking about what ____ said, and I was wondering what if ____?”▶ “This make me think ____.”▶ “I want to know more about ____.”▶ “Now I am wondering ____.”▶ “Can you please tell me more about ____?”	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▶ “____ indicated (said) that ____.”▶ “We decided (agreed) that ____.”▶ “____ pointed out to me that ____.”▶ “We concluded that ____.”▶ “____’s approach was different than mine because ____.”	

