

# PUPIL TALK PROMPTS – Upper KS2

## SAYING OR STATING AN IDEA

- I think...
- I strongly believe...
- It is my opinion that...
- I would like to start by saying....
- The point I would like to make is....

## CLARIFYING OR CHECKING

- Please could you clarify that?
- Please could you explain what you mean by?
- Can you clarify what you mean by.....
- Does this mean that.....
- So what Alice is trying to say is.....
- The most important elements of this are....
- To clarify what Yamile is saying, ...

## SEEING THINGS FROM A DIFFERENT PERSPECTIVE

- What if...
- Some people think...
- An interesting point is that...
- We haven't yet talked about....
- On the one hand.... but...

## SUPPORTING OR AGREEING

- I think that Isha is right because...
- I agree with Sara because...
- I fully support what Chris has said, because...
- I am convinced of ..., given that...
- Most reasonable people would agree that....

## CHALLENGING OR DISAGREEING

- I have a different idea...
- I would like to challenge something that Samia said...
- I would like to respectfully challenge...
- To challenge Noah, I think that....
- I understand your point of view, but have you thought about....
- I disagree with that view because...
- Perhaps some people would argue that..., however, I would point out that...
- Although Alex thinks ..., I believe....

## JUSTIFYING OR GIVING REASONS

- I think it's because...
- If ..... then ...
- I know ..... because ...
- The evidence leads me to believe that...
- I hold the view that ...
- After careful consideration I believe ....
- It is my understanding that ...
- Most reasonable people would agree that... because...

## PROBING AND DIGGING DEEPER

- Why is it that...?
- I am wondering if...
- I'm not certain but...
- I'm not completely sure but what I'm thinking is...
- Why do you think that....
- What evidence do you have to support James' idea...
- Could you provide an example of ....
- Can Alex support their view with examples of....

## PASSING ON THE DIALOGUE

- Ali, what do you think?
- Ben, what do you think about what I said?
- Jo, do you agree or disagree?
- Would anyone like to build on that?

## ASKING FOR THINKING TIME OR HELP

- I'm not sure yet. Please can I have some time to think?
- I'm a bit confused about...
- Please can I talk to a partner?
- I'm a little stuck because...
- Please could you explain again?
- Please could you repeat the question?

## EXPANDING OR BUILDING ON

- Adding to what Zack said...
- Building on what Ella said...
- I have been listening carefully and I would like to add a new point...
- Building on Yasmin's idea, I think....
- Henry's idea made me think ....
- I agree with Isobelle, but would like to add....
- To expand on John's idea....
- Initially I thought ....., but now I think....
- Ollie might want to consider possible improvements that might include ...

## PARAPHRASING OR SUMMARISING

- I think Mo is saying that...
- In other words, Matt is saying...
- So far we have talked about....
- Our discussion has focused on ....
- The main points raised in our discussion was....
- To summarise, we think....

## CONCLUDING OR FINAL WORDS

- My final thoughts are...
- There are lots of powerful arguments, but my own opinion is...
- For me, the strongest argument is...
- Although ....., I now conclude that....
- I've been lead to the conclusion that...
- Having considered different views I think that ...