

PUPIL TALK PROMPTS – Lower 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....

PROBING AND DIGGING DEEPER

- Why is it that...?
- I am wondering if...
- I'm not certain but...
- I'm not sure but what I'm thinking is...
- Why do you think that....
- Could you provide an example of

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.....

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?

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...

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?

SUPPORTING OR AGREEING

- I think that Isha is right because...
- I agree with Sara because...
- I support what Chris has said, because...

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...
- Initially I thought, but now I think....

CHALLENGING OR DISAGREEING

- I have a different idea...
- I would like to challenge something that Samia said...
- I understand your point of view, but have you thought about....
- I disagree with that view because...
- I understand your point of view, however I disagree because...

PARAPHRASING OR SUMMARISING

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

JUSTIFYING OR GIVING REASONS

- I think it's because...
- If then ...
- I know because ...
- The evidence leads me to believe that...
- My argument is that ...
- It is my understanding that ...

CONCLUDING OR FINAL WORDS

- My final thoughts are...
- For me, the strongest argument is...
- In conclusion,

