

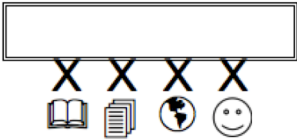
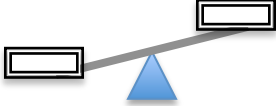


Constructive Conversation Secondary Placemat – Designated ELD

Goal: Students independently build up ideas (Knowledge, agreement, solution) using these skills

Features of Conversations with Hand Motions	Prompts for Using the Features	Prompts for Responding
<p>Create (Put hands over head, open and close them, as if an idea is coming out of your head)</p> 	<p style="text-align: center;">A</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What do you notice? • What is your idea? • What are other points of view? • I wonder...? • How can we combine these ideas? 	<p style="text-align: center;">B</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • I notice... • Another idea is ... • This reminds me of... • I connect to ____ because...
<p>Clarify (Place hands over eyes as if focusing binoculars)</p> 	<p style="text-align: center;">A</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Can you elaborate on...? • Can you clarify ____? • What do you mean by ____? • Say more about ____? • Why, How, What, When... 	<p style="text-align: center;">B</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • I think it means ... • In other words... • More specifically, it is... because... • In other words, you are saying that...
<p>Fortify (Place your hand palm down as if putting an idea on the table, and use the fingertips of the other hand to support the palm)</p> 	<p style="text-align: center;">A</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Can you give an example from the text? • Where in the text does it say that? • Are there any cases in real life? • How does it support the idea? 	<p style="text-align: center;">B</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For example, • In the text it said... • Remember from the text we read • An example from my life is... • Strong supporting evidence is...
<p>Negotiate (Put your hands out by your shoulders, palm up. Move them up and down like a scale)</p> 	<p style="text-align: center;">A</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How are the 2 ideas similar/ different? • Which has the strongest evidence? • How can we decide which has the more ____ idea? • How is that evidence stronger than this evidence? 	<p style="text-align: center;">B</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ____ is strong evidence because... • I think we can use the criteria of ... because... • That is a valid point, but... • I think the negative of... outweighs the positives of...

Modified from: Zwiers, O'Hara, & Pritchard (2014)

Note: For additional language prompts, please refer to the Conversation Skills Poster.