

Rules for “Say Something”

1. With your partner, decide who will be Partner A and who will be Partner B.
2. Partner A will “say something” first and Partner B will respond by answering the question, commenting, clarifying, or making a connection. It might be helpful to have an object that you pass back and forth to know whose turn it is to say something.
3. When it is your turn to say something, do one or more of the following:
 - Make a prediction
 - Ask a question
 - Clarify something you misunderstood
 - Make a comment
 - Make a connection
 - Make an inference
 - Summarize or synthesize
 - Discuss Evidence
 - Visualize
4. Each time you pause to discuss, rotate who says something and who responds.
5. If you can't do one of the five things, then you need to reread.

<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Discuss Evidence</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>I think the author is claiming...</i> • <i>The author supports his/ her claim by...(identify the evidence)</i> • <i>I agree with the author because...</i> • <i>I disagree with the author because...</i> • <i>I think the evidence supports/ doesn't support the claim because...</i> • <i>I think the author should add...</i> • <i>I think the author left out...</i> 	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Make a Prediction</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • I predict that... • I bet that... • I think that... • Since this happened (fill in detail) then I think the next thing that is going to happen is... • Reading this part makes me think that this (fill in detail) is about to happen... • I wonder if...
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Ask A Question</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Why did... • What's this part about... • How is this (fill in detail) like this (fill in detail) because... • What would happen if... • Why... • Who is... • What does this section (fill in detail) mean... • Do you think that... • I don't understand this part here... 	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Clarify</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Now I understand... • This makes sense now... • No, I think it means... • I agree with you. This means... • At first I thought (fill in detail), but now I think... • This part is really saying...
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Make a Comment</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This is interesting because... • This is difficult because... • This is confusing because... • I like the part where... • I don't like this part because... • My favorite part so far is... • I think that... 	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Make a Connection</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This part reminds me of... • This part is like... • This character is like (another character) because... • This is similar to... • I can compare.... to..... • The differences are... • I can contrast ... with.... • I can make a connection to (name something in the text that has also happened to you)... • I never (name something in the text that has never happened to you)... • I can't relate to... because... • This character reminds me of...

<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Make an Inference</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • From the text, I can conclude that... • Based what the text says, I now think... • Although the author does not say this, I can figure out that... • This information makes me think... 	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Summarizing and Synthesizing</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The important points of this text are... • If I had to summarize this text, I would say that... • I think the big ideas are... • Combining this text with what I know or the other texts I have read, I now think...
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Visualizing</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The words that paint a picture for me are... • I picture this as... • I picture the setting... • I imagine the environment to be... • I picture this character as... • If I were making a movie... • I would use a graphic organizer to organize this text like... (explain or draw a picture) • If I were to draw a graphic representation of this... 	