

Sentence Starters for Responding in Discussions

Agreeing

- I agree with...
- ... has convinced me that... because...
- I couldn't have said that better! ... explained... perfectly!
- ... has made a good point. I agree that...

Disagreeing

- I'd like to respectfully disagree because...
- While I agree with..., I'd like to discuss... more.
- I don't share that opinion because...
- That's interesting, but...

Adding to

- In addition to what... said, ...
- Can I add to that? _____.
- I would like to piggyback on what... said by adding...
- You are right. To continue that thought,...

Clarifying

- In other words, you are saying...
- I think it means...
- I understand the part about... but I want to know...
- More specifically, it is... because...

Justifying

- For example, ...
- One case that illustrates this is...
- In the text it said that...
- Strong supporting evidence is...

Creating

- I noticed the pattern of...
- That reminds me of...
- I think it depends on...
- One idea could be...