

Talk Tactics in EY



Instigate

Present an idea or open up a new line of inquiry

“ I think _____



Build

Develop, add to or elaborate on an idea

“ Yes, and...



Challenge

Disagree or present an alternative argument

“ I disagree because...

Talk Tactics in Key Stage 1

Instigate



Present an idea or open up a new line of inquiry

- “ I would like to start by saying ____
- “ I think ____
- “ We haven't yet talked about ____

Instigate

Build



Develop, add to or elaborate on an idea.

- “ Building on X's idea ____
- “ I agree and would like to add ____
- “ X's idea made me think ____

Build

Challenge



Disagree or present an alternative argument

- “ I disagree because ____
- “ To challenge you X, I think ____
- “ I understand your point of view, but have you thought about ____?

Challenge

Clarify



Asking questions to make things clearer and check your understanding

- “ So are you saying ____?
- “ Does that mean ____?
- “ Can you clarify what you mean by ____?

Clarify

Talk Tactics in Lower Key Stage 2

Instigate

Present an idea or open up a new line of inquiry



- “ I would like to start by saying ____
- “ I think ____
- “ We haven't yet talked about ____

Instigate

Build

Develop, add to or elaborate on an idea.



- “ Building on X's idea ____
- “ I agree and would like to add ____
- “ X's idea made me think ____

Build

Challenge

Disagree or present an alternative argument



- “ I disagree because ____
- “ To challenge you X, I think ____
- “ I understand your point of view, but have you thought about ____?

Challenge

Clarify

Asking questions to make things clearer and check your understanding



- “ So are you saying ____?
- “ Does that mean ____?
- “ Can you clarify what you mean by ____?

Clarify

Summarise

Identify and recap the main ideas



- “ So far we have talked about ____
- “ The main points raised today were ____
- “ Our discussion focused on ____

Summarise

Talk Tactics in Upper Key Stage 2

Instigate

Present an idea or open up a new line of inquiry



- “ I would like to start by saying ____
- “ I think ____
- “ We haven't yet talked about ____

Instigate

Build

Develop, add to or elaborate on an idea.



- “ Building on X's idea ____
- “ I agree and would like to add ____
- “ X's idea made me think ____

Build

Challenge

Disagree or present an alternative argument



- “ I disagree because ____
- “ To challenge you X, I think ____
- “ I understand your point of view, but have you thought about ____?

Challenge

Clarify

Asking questions to make things clearer and check your understanding



- “ So are you saying ____?
- “ Does that mean ____?
- “ Can you clarify what you mean by ____?

Clarify

Summarise

Identify and recap the main ideas



- “ So far we have talked about ____
- “ The main points raised today were ____
- “ Our discussion focused on ____

Summarise

Probe

Dig deeper, ask for evidence or justification of ideas



- “ Why do you think ____?
- “ What evidence do you have to support X idea?
- “ Could you provide an example?

Probe