Things to Say when Your Idea has been Shared

✶ My idea is similar to ________________’s idea. In other words...

✶ My idea is similar to ________________’s idea. I would like to add …

✶ Like ________________, I believe that …

✶ I agree with ________________ that …
Things to Say when You Don’t Understand

- Will you please repeat that?
- Will you please explain that again?
- Would you mind going over that a little more slowly?
- Can you explain that another way?
- In other words, you are saying…
- It seems to me that what you are saying is … Am I correct?
Language for Reporting Out

After discussing the problem:

- We have *agreed* that…
- We have *decided* that…
- We have *determined* that…
- We have *concluded* that…
- We have not reached a final conclusion. So far we have agreed on…
- Some people in our group believe … while others believe…
Language for Asking for Help

Complete all of the following sentences:

I am having difficulty with __________. The problem gives me the following information: __________, ____________, … and asks me to … So far I have tried… In order to help me solve this problem could you please … ?
Small Group Participation Structures

✦ Pair Share
Evens to odds. Odds listen, share one thing you agree with and add something new. Switch if time permits.

✦ Around the Group
Person x tell the group … Group listens. Person x+1 repeats (and adds as necessary)…
Teaching Academic Verbs

🔹 Say the word
🔹 Have students repeat in unison
🔹 Ask what the verb means
🔹 Read sentence frames
🔹 Volunteers read examples
🔹 Elaborate as needed
Things to Say when you Disagree

✦ Unlike ________________, I believe that…

✦ I disagree with ________________, because…

✦ Our (my) idea is different than ________________’s. I believe…