

Talk Tactics
Year 3 and Year 4



Instigate



Present an idea or open up a new line of inquiry.

I would like to start by saying. . .

I think the first thing we should consider is. . .

We haven't yet talked about. . .



Build



Develop, add to or elaborate on an idea.

I agree and I would like to add. . .

Building on your point. . .

Adding to what you said. . .



Clarify



Ask questions to make things clearer and check your understanding.

What do you mean when you say. . .

Could you tell me more about. . .

Does that mean that. . . ?



Challenge



Disagree or present an alternative argument.

Respectfully disagreeing. . .

That is an interesting point but
have you considered. . . ?

You said. . . but what about. . . ?



Probe



Dig deeper, ask for evidence or justification of ideas.

Why do you think. . ?

What evidence do you have to support that?

How does this support your argument?



Summarise



Identify and recap the main ideas

So far today we talked about. . .

In summary. . .

The main points are. . .