
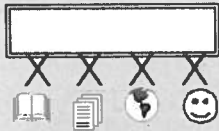
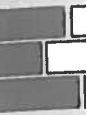


Figure 2.1 Core Academic Conversation Skills, with Symbols, Hand Motions, Prompt Frames, and Response Frames

Conversation Skills <i>(with symbols and hand motions)</i>	Frames for Prompting the Skill	Frames for Responding
<p>Elaborate and Clarify</p>  <p><i>(Pull hands apart)</i></p>	<p>Can you elaborate on ...?</p> <p>What do you mean by ...?</p> <p>Can you tell me more about ...?</p> <p>What makes you think that?</p> <p>Can you clarify the part about ...?</p> <p>Can you be more specific?</p> <p>How so?</p> <p>How/Why is that important?</p> <p>I'd love to hear more about ...</p> <p>How does that connect to ...?</p> <p>I wonder if ...</p> <p>How so?</p> <p>Can you unpack that for me?</p> <p>I am a little confused about the part ...</p>	<p>I think it means that ...</p> <p>In other words, ...</p> <p>I believe that ...</p> <p>An analogy for this might be ...</p> <p>It is important because ...</p> <p>It's similar to when ...</p>
<p>Support Ideas with Examples <i>(from this text, other texts, the world, and life)</i></p>  <p><i>(Point thumb and three fingers up and place palm of other hand on top like a table; or point one index finger to the tip of the pinky of the other hand)</i></p>	<p>Can you give an example from the text?</p> <p>Can you show me where it says that?</p> <p>What are examples from other texts?</p> <p>What is a real-world example?</p> <p>What is an example from your life?</p> <p>Are there any cases of that?</p> <p>What is the evidence for that ...?</p> <p>Like what?</p> <p>Why do you say that?</p> <p>How do you justify that?</p> <p>What does that look like?</p> <p>Such as?</p> <p>What would illustrate that?</p> <p>Why is that a good example?</p>	<p>For example, ...</p> <p>In the text it said that ...</p> <p>One case showed that ...</p> <p>An example from my life is ...</p> <p>For instance, ...</p> <p>According to ...</p> <p>An illustration of this could be ...</p> <p>On one occasion ...</p> <p>In this situation ...</p> <p>To demonstrate, ...</p> <p>In fact, ...</p> <p>Indeed, ...</p> <p>... such as ...</p> <p>Have you ever ...?</p>

Build On a Challenge Idea



(Layer hand over other and ...)

Paraphrase

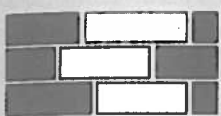
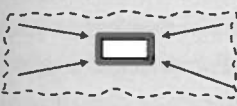
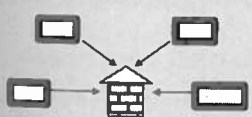


(Move both hands toward each other ...)

Synthesis Conversation



(Start both hands wide and then ...)

<p>Build On and/or Challenge a Partner's Idea</p>  <p><i>(Layer hands on each other and build up)</i></p>	<p>What do you think about the idea that ...?</p> <p>Can you add to this idea?</p> <p>Do you agree?</p> <p>What might be other points of view?</p> <p>What are other ideas?</p> <p>How does that connect to the idea ...?</p> <p>I am not sure if this is relevant, but ...</p> <p>How can we bring this back to the question of ...?</p>	<p>I would add that ...</p> <p>I want to expand on your point about ...</p> <p>I want to follow up on your idea ...</p> <p>(To challenge)</p> <p>Then again, I think that ...</p> <p>Another way to look at this could be ...</p> <p>Yet I wonder also if ...</p> <p>If _____, then _____</p> <p>What struck me about what you said is ...</p>
<p>Paraphrase</p>  <p><i>(Move both palms toward each other)</i></p>	<p>I'm not sure that was clear ...</p> <p>I can't remember all that I said.</p> <p>How can we relate what I said to the topic/question?</p> <p>What do we know so far?</p> <p>What is your take on what I said?</p> <p>I don't know. Did that make sense?</p> <p>What are you hearing?</p>	<p>So, you are saying that ...</p> <p>Let me see if I understand you ...</p> <p>Am I right in hearing you say that ...?</p> <p>In a nutshell, you are arguing that ...</p> <p>In other words ...</p> <p>What I am hearing is ...</p> <p>Essentially, you think that ...</p> <p>It sounds like you are saying that ...</p>
<p>Synthesize Conversation Points</p>  <p><i>(Start both arms out wide and then cup them into a ball)</i></p>	<p>What have we discussed so far?</p> <p>How should we synthesize what we talked about?</p> <p>How can we bring this all together?</p> <p>What can we agree upon?</p> <p>What main points can we share?</p> <p>What was our original question?</p> <p>What key idea can we take away?</p>	<p>We can say that ...</p> <p>The main theme/point seems to be ...</p> <p>As a result of this conversation, we think that we should ...</p> <p>How does this sound ...?</p> <p>What if we ...?</p> <p>The evidence seems to suggest that ...</p>