

Accountable Talk Sentence Starters

Making a Comment:

That is a good idea because...

That is confusing because...

I disagree with _____ because...

Making a Prediction:

I think that _____ will happen because...

I don't think that _____ will happen because...

I wonder if...

Since this happened, then what if...

Clarifying Something:

Now I understand _____ because...

No, I think it means...

I agree with _____ because...

At first I thought _____, but now I think _____ because...

What I hear you saying is...

I don't understand _____, but I do understand _____ because...

Asking a Question:

What did you mean when you said _____?

Do you think that...?

Why is that happening?

What is happening?

Why do you think that way?

What led you to that conclusion?

Making a Connection:

This reminds me of...

This is like _____ when...

This is like _____, but different because...