

ACCOUNTABLE TALK STEMS

(S) State an opinion

- I think/believe that ...
- In my opinion ...
- From my perspective ...
- Based on ..., it seems that
- After reading ..., I conclude that

(A) Agree, Disagree, Add on






- I agree with you because ...
- That answer makes sense because ...
- I disagree with you because ...
- I have a different point of view ...
- I would like to add on ...
- This reminds me of ...
- To piggyback on what said

(Q) Ask Question

- What do you mean by ...?
- Why do you think that?
- Will you explain that again?
- I have a question about ...
- I don't quite understand. Can you explain it little bit more?

(P) Paraphrase or Restate your opinion

- So what you are saying is that ...
- In other words, you think ...
- I noticed that ...
- If I understand you correctly, your opinion is that ...

GROUP DISCUSSION RUBRIC	Not Yet 	Sometimes 	Usually 	Mostly 	Always 
Everyone has participated in a meaningful and substantive way and, more or less, equally.					
Everyone listened carefully and respectfully to one another.					
Everyone tried to support their answers with evidence.					
Everyone used Accountable Talk Stems.					
There was a team effort . Students took risks and dug for deep meaning.					