



Scaffolds for Joining a Discussion

Expressing an Opinion

I think/believe that...

It seems to me that...

In my opinion...

Asking for Clarification

What did you mean by...

Will you explain that further?

I have question about...

Individual Reporting

I discovered from ____ that....

I found out from ____ that....

Disagreeing

I disagree with you because...

I have a different opinion from you because...

I see it in another way...

Another way to look at that is....

I'd like to share a different perspective...

That is interesting, but...

Affirming/ Acknowledging ideas

That's an interesting idea...

I hadn't thought of that...

I would like to add...

My idea is similar to/related to ____'s idea

My idea/belief builds upon...

Holding the Floor

As I was saying...

If I could finish my thought...

What I was trying to say...

Stating Evidence

My evidence shows....

Based on my evidence ____, I believe...

As stated in...

I would like to share ____ pieces of evidence. To begin...