

I'm explaining my ideas. I can use these phrases:

I think _____ because...

Evidence that supports my argument is...

I think this is supporting evidence because...

I think this relates to the scientific idea of...

Give an analogy or metaphor that relates to your idea.

I'm idea coaching. I can use these phrases to help the other person *clarify* and *explain their ideas*.

Say more about that.

Can you give me an example of why you think that?

Could you explain more about _____?

What do you mean when you say _____?

I heard you say _____. What evidence is that based on?

After the conversation:

Tell your partner one idea they explained well.

Tell your partner one idea they said that you had not thought of.

STEM Teaching Tools Table Tents draw ideas from Kelly Jones (Renton School District), the [TERC Talk Science Primer](#), [Zwiers, O'Hara, and Pritchard 2014](#), and [STEM Teaching Tool #35](#).