

SAY SOMETHING

CONTRIBUTE AN IDEA

- I think that...
- It seems to me that...
- It says that...
- I wonder if...
- Some people think that...
- I'm not sure this is important, but...

CHALLENGE AN IDEA

- How does that relate to our discussion?
- What makes that a good example?
- I disagree, because...
- Another way to look at that is...
- How does this evidence support your claim?
- I think it's important to also consider...

BUILD ON AN IDEA

- I would add that...
- I want to say more about...
- I want to add to what _____ said about...
- I agree with _____, because...
- I also think...
- I think another reason is...

SUPPORT AN IDEA

- For example...
- In the text, it says that...
- Some people think that...
- According to the text, it says...
- My evidence is...
- I think _____, because...

CLARIFY AN IDEA

- Can you give me an example?
- What do you mean by that?
- Can you explain your point again?
- I think this is what you mean...
- I'm not sure that's right. Can you tell me why you think that's true?

INVITING OTHERS TO SHARE AN IDEA

- Would you like to add anything?
- What do you think about this topic?
- What other ideas do you want to add to the conversation?

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I, TOO

By Langston Hughes

I, too, sing America.

I am the darker brother.
They send me to eat in the kitchen
When company comes,
But I laugh,
And eat well,
And grow strong.

Tomorrow,
I'll be at the table
When company comes.
Nobody'll dare
Say to me,
"Eat in the kitchen,"
Then.

Besides,
They'll see how beautiful I am
And be ashamed—

I, too, am America.

Hughes, L., Collier, B., Linn, L., & Simon and Schuster Books for Young Readers (Firm),. (2012). I, too, am America.