

<b>STATING A PERSONAL OPINION</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- I think / believe / feel</li> <li>- I reckon (informal)</li> <li>- In my opinion</li> <li>- In my view</li> <li>- From my point of view</li> <li>- It seems to me</li> <li>- As far as I'm concerned ... / As far as I know ...</li> <li>- I'm convinced that ... / I'm pretty sure that ...</li> <li>- Without a doubt ...</li> </ul>
<b>STATING A GENERAL POINT OF VIEW</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- It is thought / said / believed that ...</li> <li>- Some people say / think ...</li> <li>- According to ...</li> </ul>
<b>ASKING FOR AN OPINION</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- What do you think?</li> <li>- Do you agree?</li> <li>- How do you feel about that?</li> <li>- Do you have anything to say about this?</li> </ul>
<b>AGREEING</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- I couldn't agree (with you) more</li> <li>- You're right / You're absolutely right</li> <li>- You have a good point there</li> <li>- Absolutely / Exactly</li> <li>- That's just what I was thinking</li> <li>- I agree with ... (James)</li> <li>- SO &amp; NEITHER</li> <li>- I think so too</li> <li>- I don't think so either</li> <li>- I suppose so / I guess so (<i>weak</i>)</li> <li>- I was just going to say that</li> </ul>
<b>PARTLY AGREEING / EXPRESSING LACK OF OPINION</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- I see your point, but ...</li> <li>- That's partly true, but ...</li> <li>- That's not always true / That's not always the case</li> <li>- It's not as simple as that</li> <li>- It's a difficult issue</li> <li>- Well, it depends</li> <li>- It's hard to say</li> </ul>
<b>DISAGREEING</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- I'm not so sure about that</li> <li>- I think you might be wrong.</li> <li>- I see. However, ...</li> <li>- I'm afraid I don't agree because ...</li> <li>- Yes, but ...</li> <li>- Yes, but the problem really is ...</li> <li>- Yes, but don't forget ...</li> <li>- That's probably true, but ...</li> <li>- No, I'm not so sure about that</li> <li>- Don't you think ...?</li> <li>- I totally disagree</li> <li>- I'm afraid I disagree</li> </ul>

**DISCUSSING AND ARGUING**

<b>INTERRUPTING</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Sorry to interrupt, but ...</li> <li>- Can I add something here?</li> <li>- If I might add something ...</li> <li>- You didn't let me finish</li> </ul>
<b>GIVING REASONS AND OFFERING EXPLANATIONS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- To start with</li> <li>- The reason why</li> <li>- That's why</li> <li>- For this reason</li> <li>- On the one hand / On the other hand</li> <li>- Firstly / Secondly / Finally</li> <li>- The main reason for this is ...</li> <li>- For instance / for example</li> <li>- By this I mean</li> <li>- To be more precise</li> <li>- That is to say</li> <li>- I mean (<i>informal</i>)</li> </ul>
<b>SETTLING AN ARGUMENT</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Let's move on, shall we?</li> <li>- Let's drop it.</li> </ul>
<b>ARGUING</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- That's not what I said at all</li> <li>- I've no idea who told you that</li> <li>- Where did you get that idea from?</li> <li>- I'm afraid that just isn't true.</li> <li>- Do you mean to say ...?</li> <li>- I don't believe it! / You must be joking! / You're joking!</li> <li>- Look, let's get this straight (<i>you're annoyed!</i>)</li> <li>- I hate to tell you this, but ...</li> <li>- Maybe I shouldn't say this, but ...</li> <li>- What I meant was ...</li> <li>- What I'm trying to say is ...</li> <li>- If I said that, I didn't mean to ...</li> <li>- To be honest, ...</li> <li>- To tell you the truth, ...</li> <li>- Frankly, ... / Actually, ...</li> <li>- That's just the point!</li> <li>- But can't you see ...?</li> </ul>