

A/B Partners Protocol for Critical Thinking

1. Share your Ideas



Partner A

- I think _____ happened because....
- Evidence that supports my idea is...
- The activity we did with _____ helps me know more about _____ because...
- One thing I'm wondering about is...

2. Listen to understand



Partner B

- I heard you say _____. What makes you think that?
- I heard you say _____. What if _____?
- Can you explain the part about _____ again?
- What do you mean when you say _____?

3. Clarify and elaborate



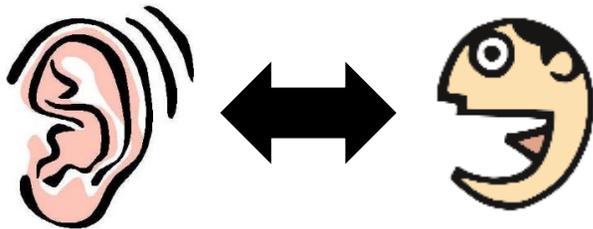
Partner A

Answers partner's question or asks for clarification in order to understand the question.

4. Repeat steps 2 & 3 until all questions are answered



5. Switch roles and repeat steps 1-4



6. Reflect on your understanding in writing

- My idea about _____ changed when my partner said...
- I will add _____ to my idea about _____ because...
- I still have questions about...
- I may be able to answer my question(s) if I could investigate _____.