

WHAT IS IT?

Partner paraphrase is when students are working in partners or groups, they are required to paraphrase their partner or team member before they share their own ideas. This works with team building questions and content questions equally.

IMPACT?

This promising practice helps students with their listening and speaking skills. It requires them to be active listeners in partner and group discussions. It allows them to process the ideas of others and share them back with the originator.



Paraphrasing

Before you speak, paraphrase your partner's response.

Use the sentence starters below to help you begin your paraphrase.

Wait for your partner to agree or sign off on your paraphrase before you begin your response. If they'd don't sign off, allow them to clarify their ideas and try again.

Paraphrase starters:

What I heard you say was _____
So, I you think _____

Your idea is that _____
In other words, you are saying _____

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