



Collaborative Discussions in Grade 6

Today's Standard

6.SL.1 - Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grade 6 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.

Cues	Notes
What are collaborative discussions?	Collaborative discussions involve engaging with others to exchange ideas and build on them.
Why are diverse perspectives important?	Diverse perspectives enrich discussions by bringing in different viewpoints and ideas.
How can we improve our listening skills?	Improving listening skills involves active listening, summarizing others' points, and asking clarifying questions.
What is the difference between quantity and quality in discussions?	Quality in discussions means contributing meaningful and relevant ideas, not just talking a lot.
What activities can help us practice these skills?	Activities like debates, peer reviews, and role-playing can help practice these skills.

Summary

Collaborative discussions are essential for developing critical thinking and communication skills. They require considering diverse perspectives, active listening, and focusing on the quality of contributions. Activities such as debates and peer reviews can help students practice these skills.