

Parent Guide to the

# Collaborative Discussions and Persuasive Communication

# Today's Standard

11-12.SL.1 - Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 11-12 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.

## Real-World Applications for this Standard

Classroom debates on current events; Group projects analyzing literature; Peer review sessions for essays; Mock interviews and presentations; Community discussions or forums; Book club meetings; Team-building activities; Role-playing exercises

### Today I Learned

Today, I learned how to talk and listen well in group discussions. This helps me share my ideas clearly and understand what others think.

### **Common Stumbling Blocks**

Sometimes, kids think talking is the only important part. But listening is important too. Also, it's okay if others don't always agree with your ideas. Different ideas help us think better.

### Quiz Me

- What should you do when someone else is talking?
- Why is it good to listen to different ideas?
- What can you do if you don't agree with someone?
- How can you share your ideas clearly?
- Why is talking in groups important?

#### Help Me

Talking and listening well helps us work together. For example, in a team project, everyone shares ideas to make the project better. Listening helps us understand and improve our own ideas.