

Parent Guide to the Standards

### Collaborative Discussions

### Today's Standard

7.SL.1 - Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grade 7 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.

#### Real-World Applications for this Standard

Classroom debates on current events; Group projects requiring discussion and consensus; Peer review sessions for writing assignments; Book club discussions; Role-playing activities to practice listening and speaking

#### Today I Learned

Today, we learned how to talk and listen well in group discussions. We practiced sharing our ideas and listening to others.

## **Common Stumbling Blocks**

Some kids think that talking a lot means they are doing a good job, but they need to listen too. Others think they always have to agree, but it's okay to share their own ideas.

#### Quiz Me

- What is one way to show you are listening?
- Why is it important to listen to others?
- How can you share your own ideas?
- What should you do if you disagree with someone?
- Why is talking and listening important in groups?

# Help Me

Talking and listening well helps us work together and understand each other. We use these skills when we talk about books, work on projects, and share our thoughts in class.