

CLASSROOM ENGLISH: QUICK REFERENCE

B2-C1 | Discussion, clarification and feedback

Phrases you can say

When you want to...	You can say...	Another useful phrase
Ask for clarification	Could you clarify what you mean by that?	Are you referring to the first example?
Build on an idea	I'd like to build on that point.	That connects with what we said earlier.
Disagree politely	I see your point, but I interpret it differently.	I'm not entirely convinced by that argument.
Ask for support	What evidence supports that conclusion?	Could you give a specific example?
Invite another view	We haven't heard your thoughts yet. Would you like to add anything?	Does anyone see it differently?
Give useful feedback	Your main point is clear. One example would make it more convincing.	Could you explain how this detail supports your point?
Summarise the discussion	We seem to agree on the main issue.	The main difference between our views is...

Instructions you may hear

Your teacher says...	This means...
Support your view with evidence.	Use facts, examples or information from the text.
Paraphrase the main argument.	Express the main argument in your own words.
Evaluate the claim.	Consider how convincing it is and explain why.