Discussion Phrases

Expressing opinion

- •To my mind,
- •I'm of the mind that...
- •The way I see it,
- •As I see it,
- •From my point of view/ perspective,
- •I look at it like this...
- •I'm a firm/big believer in...
- •Look, here's what I think...
- •If you ask me,...
- •I hold the view that...

Agreeing

- Totally/Absolutely/Exactly
- •I think we're on the same page here.
- •I'm with you on that one.
- •I couldn't agree more.
- •Hear, hear!
- •I'd go along with that.
- •I was just going to say that.
- You took the words right out of my mouth.

Asking for opinion

- •What's your take on this?
- •Where do you stand on this topic?
- •What do you reckon? | wɒdəjə 'rekən |
- Would you go along with that? (after expressing opinion)
- •What are your thoughts on this?

Time Buyers

- •It's funny you should ask that...
- •That's weird I was just talking about this the other day...
- •Hhmmmm that's a tough one...
- That's an interesting question...
- •Now let me see...

Personalising the topic

- •As far as I'm concerned...
- Speaking from personal experience I'd say that...
- •In my experience, ...
- •I often find that...
- •In my case, ...
- Speaking for me personally, ...
- •From what I've seen, ...
- •I can't speak for anyone else, but in my case...
- •This is a topic that is close to my heart because...
- •This really resonates with me personally because...

Disagreeing

- •I see what you mean but...
- •I take your point but...
- •I beg to differ I'm afraid.
- •I'm afraid I have to disagree with you there.
- •Yes but if we look at it from another angle...
- •That's not exactly how I see it.
- •No, you've lost me there.
- •I'm afraid I just don't buy it.

Rephrasing

- What I mean is...
- •I guess what I'm trying to say is...
- •In other words...
- To put it another way...
- •How can I put this?

Adding additional points

- •It's also worth bearing in mind that...
- Another point worth highlighting is...
- •What's more/On top of that
- •It must also be pointed out that...
- Aside from that,