

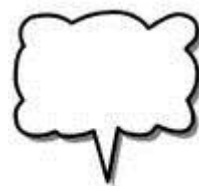
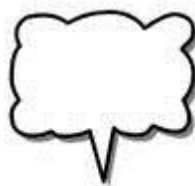
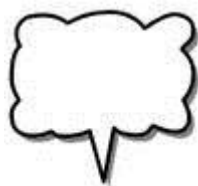
SPEAKING - USEFUL EXPRESSIONS

EXPRESSING OPINIONS

Personal view	I think... /I believe What I think is... I'd say that... It seems (clear/obvious/evident) to me that... I have to say that... The way I see things... To me, ... As far as I'm concerned... As I see it,...
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AGREEING AND DISAGREEING

Agreeing	Yes, you're (quite/absolutely) right. That's a good point. That's what I think. Absolutely. I couldn't agree more! I totally/completely/very much agree!
Partly agreeing	I see what you mean but... I take your point, but... I accept that, but... That may be true, but...
Weak disagreement	I'm not sure about that. I'm afraid I can't agree with you there.
Disagreeing	But what about...? I don't think that's right/true. I have to say I disagree with you there. I'm sorry but... I'm afraid I must disagree with you on this issue.



EXPLAINING

Identifying causes	The reason (for...) is that... That's because of/ due to.. The/one explanation (for ...) is (that...) What has brought this about/led to/caused this is...
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MAKING SUGGESTIONS

Neutral	I think what we should do is... I think it would be a good/sensible idea to... I think the best way forward would be to...
Informal	If you ask me, we/you should... What/how about...-ing? The main/most/key important thing is to... It might be an idea to... You've really got to...

INTERRUPTING

Signaling	If I could just say/ask... I just wanted to say/ask...
Delaying	Could I just finish? Could I expose my view once more?
Re-taking your turn	Yes, but what I wanted to say was... Going back to what I was saying about... As I was saying...

QUESTIONING

Introducing a question	I've got a question about... Could I ask a question...? Sorry, could I just ask...?
Clarification	Sorry, I didn't follow what you said about...? What did you mean when you said...?
Checking	So you mean...? So you are saying...? Have I got this right: ...?