

TALK MOVES

FOR MEANINGFUL MATHEMATICS DISCUSSIONS



WAIT TIME

Time for students to organise their thinking ready to offer more considered responses

IT SOUNDS LIKE:

Stop and think...

Take your time...

Let's stop and think...



TURN & TALK

An opportunity for students to rehearse and clarify their responses before sharing with the class

IT SOUNDS LIKE:

Talk to the person next to you about your thinking...

Listen to what your partner is thinking...



REVOICING

Useful for clarifying meaning, highlighting an important idea or revealing a misconception

IT SOUNDS LIKE:

So you are saying...

Are you saying ...?

Have I said that correctly...?



REASONING

Encourages students to elaborate or justify their thinking and listen to the thinking of others

IT SOUNDS LIKE:

What do others think... Why?

What do you think that?

Do you agree or disagree?



ADDING ON

Invites students to be active participants in discussions by building on the thinking of others

IT SOUNDS LIKE:

Would anyone like to add on to that?

Can you say more about that?



REPEATING

Slows down the discussion of complex ideas and draws students' attention to important content

IT SOUNDS LIKE:

Can you repeat what ... said?

Can someone say that using different words?



REVISE THINKING

Indicates to students that it is acceptable to change their thinking as they develop new knowledge

IT SOUNDS LIKE:

Have you changed your answer?

Has anyone revised their thinking? Why?