



High School

Name: _____

Date: _____

Agree to Disagree

Directions: Find a partner and choose a topic that you both have a different opinion on such as “best pizza topping” or “my pet is the world’s best!”, “the best movie ever is...”, “best sports team is...” Once you have the topic, remind yourself that you are NOT trying to convince your partner of your positions. You are simply trying to explain your side of the argument AND understand your partner’s viewpoint. Using Conversation Connectors to help you have more robust, respectful conversations.

When I agree and want to explain why...	When I agree and want to add on...
<ul style="list-style-type: none">● I agree with your answer, because...● I think our answer is right, because...● I got the same answer as you, because...● I agree with you because...● I agree with... and I’d like to add...	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● That’s a good point and I’d like to add...● I think you’re right, and I also think...● That’s a great idea, and don’t you think...● I agree with... when he/she said... and I also want to add...
When I disagree and want to explain why...	When I want to understand more...
<ul style="list-style-type: none">● I respectfully disagree with... and I think...● I disagree with your idea of... and I think...● I disagree with your reasoning and I think...● I know where you’re coming from and I have a different idea/opinion...	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● What made you think that?● How did you get that answer?● Why is it important?● What’s your evidence?
When I want more clarification...	



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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• What do you mean by...?• Can you repeat that please?• How do you know?• So you're saying...?• Can you say more about...? | |
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Summarize your discussion here: