

## Frequently Asked Questions about Discussion

1. How can I get a discussion going?
2. What mechanisms can I use to keep the discussion going?
3. What can I do if a discussion falls apart? How can I keep it from dying?
4. How can I best keep conversation flowing without lapsing into long silences or a lecture?
5. How do you get everyone participating, especially the quiet ones?
6. How do you handle “discussion monopolizers”?
7. How can I evaluate discussions?
  - a. No grade
  - b. Teacher assigns grade
  - c. Peers assign grade
  - d. Students self-evaluate
  - e. The indirect approach
  - f. The bottom line on evaluating discussion