

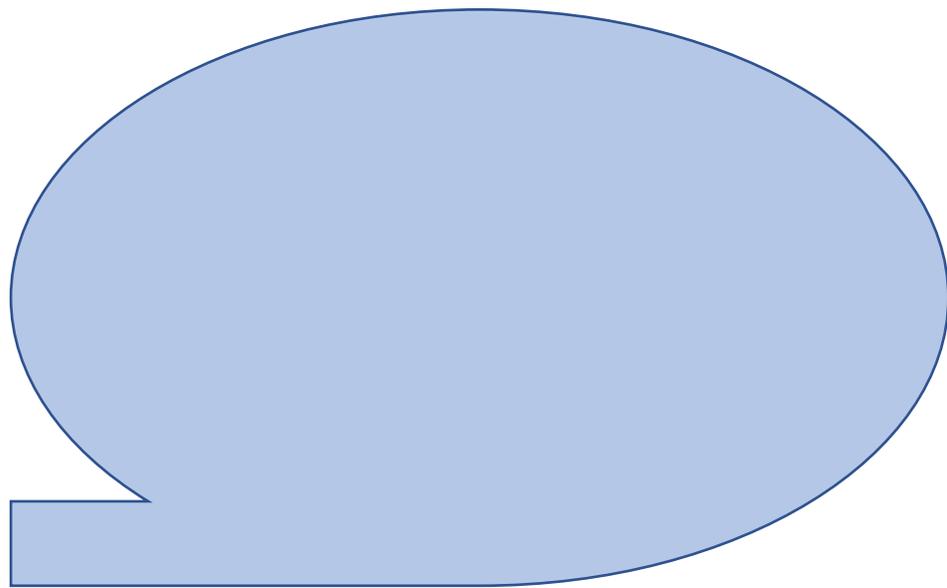
Create a Source Conversation

An important part of research is acknowledging what other people have to say about a common topic. In this activity, you will study what outside sources say about your topic of research. Then you will examine what the sources “say” to each other.

Your Turn: Fill in the first bubble with key information from a book, article, or essay you are reading. Fill in the second bubble with important ideas from a related text. If you are reviewing just one text, fill in the second bubble with your own views on the topic.

Source X:

Author:



Source Y:

Author:



Join the Conversation

Imagine if the authors from the bubbles were speaking to each other. What would they say?
How would they respond to each other's ideas?

Your Turn: Review the information in the conversation bubbles. Use sentence starters to show where the sources *agree*, *disagree*, or only *partially agree*.

1. Choose **one** sentence starter and complete it to show how the sources **agree**.

- X and Y both show that _____.
- When it comes to _____,
X and Y both believe _____.
- X supports what Y says regarding _____
because _____.
- One point that X and Y agree on is _____.

2. Choose **one** sentence starter and complete it to show how the sources **disagree**.

- X and Y disagree on _____.
- X believes _____,
while Y believes _____.
- The main difference between X and Y is that
_____.
- On the one hand, X points out _____.
On the other hand, Y points out _____.
- Though X shows _____,
Y shows _____.

3. Choose **one** sentence starter and complete it to show how two sources **partially agree**.

- While X and Y agree that _____,
they disagree on _____.
- Though X and Y both believe _____,
they differ on _____.
- While both X and Y show _____,
Y shows that _____.
- X is right about _____,
but X might also consider _____.