Accountable Talk Grades 6-8

Accountable to the Learning Community **Community**	**Listen** • **S**it up • **L**ook at the person talking • **A**cknowledge others by name • **N**od your head • **T**ake turns talking	**Summarize** • What I'm hearing you say is… • I'd like to summarize what I think _____ is saying…	**Build** • I would like to add to what ____ said. • Does anyone have anything more to add?
Accountable to Knowledge **Content**	**Clarify** • Could you repeat that for me, please? • I'm not sure I understand… • I still have a question about…	**Support** • Let me show you where it says this in the text. • What makes you think that, _____?	**Connect** • What _____ is saying connects to the text because… • It seems like ____ and ____ are basically saying…
Accountable to Rigorous Thinking **Challenge**	**Challenge** • ____, what makes you think that? • Can you show me where it says that in the text, _____ ?	**Defend** • I'm not sure I agree with what ____ said because… • I can see ____ 's point of view; however, I believe…	**Conclude** • I believe our next steps should be… • Based upon the following evidence from our discussion. . . I NOW believe . . .