

**Pathways Sentence Stems:
Inquiry, Acknowledgment, Advocacy**

Inquiry
Could you help me to understand ...?
Could you show me how...?
Do you have anything to add to ...?
How did you arrive at ...?
How do you see...?
If we had to choose between ... and ...?
Please tell me more about...
Walk me through ...
What does it mean to you when... ?
What I'd like to understand is...?
What if we agreed to...?
What information/experience leads you to believe ...?
What is your understanding of...?
What leads you to say that...?
What leads you to see ... the way that you do?
What would be wrong with...?
Why do you feel...?
Why would ... not work?
Why...? Why not...?
Would you prefer... or ...?
Could you say more about that?
What am I missing?
Why is that important (to you)?

Acknowledgment
Before we move on, I want to make sure I've understood what you've told me. Are you saying that...?
I can see why you feel...
I sense this makes you feel ... Is that right?
I think you're saying... Is that right?
I understand from you that... Is that right?
I want to make sure I am following...
If I were in your shoes, I'd also feel/think/want...
If I were to put that into my own words, I'd say that... Is that right?
Let me see if I got that right. Were you saying that....?
Please correct me if I misrepresent or miss something...
Thank you for sharing your perspective. Now I can better see how....
What I hear you saying is...
What I think your saying is...

Advocacy

Because of....I think that...

How about trying...?

I believe that...

I see things differently. The way I see it is...

I think we should...

I'd like you to...

I'd recommend that...

I'd say that...

In light of... I think that ...

In my opinion...

My take is that...

My understanding is that...

The data I see suggest that...

The things I am focused on are...

What about doing...?

What do you think of...?