

Elaborate

The following activity is to help you and your peers strengthen and clarify your CER paragraph. Each time you talk to a new partner, you can build from their ideas and borrow the language of previous partners.

Instructions:

1. Record ideas and language you liked from your own CER paragraph in the chart below to help you think about what you will say to your partner (1 minute)
2. Stand in front of your assigned partner. Turn your papers upside down, so that you are not looking at it while speaking. Take turns sharing your argument aloud (1 minute per person).
 - a. After each partner shares, the listener may ask clarifying questions. Have a discussion about strengths and suggestions (1 minute per person).
3. You will then have time to record any ideas or language that will make your CER paragraph stronger and clearer (1 minute).
4. When your teacher calls time, each of you in the inner circle will move one space to the right, so you have a new partner. Repeat Steps 2 and 3.

	Ideas and Language I like from the CER
Me	
Partner 1	
Partner 2	