



St Stephen Churchtown Academy

Oracy Sentence Stems

2025 – 2026

	Autumn 1 Instigate	Autumn 2 Build	Spring 1 Clarify	Spring 2 Summarise	Summer 1 Instigate Opinion & Justification	Summer 2 Challenge
Year 1	I think... In my opinion... I believe that...	I would like to add... Following on from...	Does that mean...?	So far we have talked about... To summarise...	I think... because... I believe that... because...	I disagree because... I don't believe this because...
	Autum 1 (Retrieval) Instigate, Build and Challenge	Autumn 2 Summary	Spring 1 Clarify	Spring 2 Probe	Summer 1 & 2	
Year 2	I think... because... I believe that... because... I would like to add... Following on from... I disagree because...	So far we have talked about... To summarise...	Does that mean? What do you mean by?	Have you thought about...? Have you considered...? Why do you think...?	Aim to green all sentence stems used so far. Introduction of "Talk Detectives".	
LKS2	I think... because... In my opinion... I believe that... because... Following on from... I would like to add... I disagree because...	So far we have talked about... To summarise...	So are you saying that? Can you clarify what you mean by?	Can you expand on...? Could you provide an example of...? Why do you think...?		

	Have you considered...?				
UKS2	<p>I think because...</p> <p>I am of the opinion... because...</p> <p>I know this is true/untrue because...</p> <p>I know... therefore...</p> <p>I agree with... and would like to add...</p> <p>Extending on... I believe...</p> <p>Developing on ...'s comments, I would like to add...</p> <p>That is a valid point but have you considered...</p> <p>I feel that we should also consider...</p> <p>Whilst I understand what you are saying, I believe that...</p>	<p>To summarise...</p> <p>So far we have talked about...</p> <p>The main points raised were...</p> <p>Our discussion focused on...</p>	<p>So are you saying that?</p> <p>Can you clarify what you mean by?</p>	<p>Can you expand on...?</p> <p>Could you provide an example of...?</p> <p>Can you justify...?</p>	