

Idea Building Cards

(Why? Can you clarify...?
Can you give another reason?)

1. Hand out cards (2-I, 4-C, 4-S, 3-E per student) and have students put an initial idea on the Idea card.
2. Either student can then ask a clarify or support question and slip a Clarify or Support card under the Idea card as a way to "build it up." The other student clarifies or supports and also puts the a card underneath. Don't write on these cards.
3. They continue to slip cards underneath the idea to build it up as high as possible. If it is an argument, after building up both ideas (two stacks of cards), students evaluate and compare, placing their Evaluate and Compare cards between the two stacks.
4. Both students should be prepared to describe (synthesize) the idea(s)

