

DESCRIBE	JUSTIFY
• It looks like... • I notice that... • I wonder if... • Let's try... • This is similar to... • This is different from... • A quantity that varies is ____. • What do you notice? • What other details are important?	• I know ____ because... • I predict ____ because... • If ____ then ____ because... • Why did you...? • How do you know...? • Can you give an example? • Show me how you figured that out. • I got a different answer; let me show you what I did.
EXPLAIN	GENERALIZE
• First, I ____ because... • Then/Next, I... • I noticed ____ so I... • I see a pattern...it is... • I tried ____ and what happened was... • How did you get...? • What else could we do?	• ____ reminds me of ____ because... • ____ will always ____ because... • ____ will never ____ because... • Is it always true that...? • Is ____ a special case? • Another way to say it is...

CRITIQUE	COMPARE AND CONTRAST
• That could/couldn't be true because... • This method works/doesn't work because... • We can agree that... • ____'s idea reminds me of... • Another strategy would be ____ because... • Is there another way to say/do...? • Why did you use that number? What does it mean?	• Both ____ and ____ are alike because... • ____ and ____ are different because... • One thing that is the same is... • One thing that is different is... • How are ____ and ____ different? • What do ____ and ____ have in common? • I used ... instead of ...
REPRESENT	INTERPRET
• ____ represents ____. • ____ stands for ____. • ____ corresponds to ____. • Another way to show ____ is... • I used a ____ (bar model, table, number line, etc.) to... • How else could we show this?	• We are trying to... • We will need to know... • We already know... • It looks like ____ represents... • Another way to look at it is... • What does this part of ____ mean? • Where does ____ show...?

