

**Shifting your mindset for group discussions**

**Part A: Application task**

1. The article provides several phrases for different discussion strategies. Match the phrase with the correct strategy.

Phrase:

- (i) "I understand your point, but have we considered the cost?"
- (ii) "Candidate B, what are your thoughts on this?"
- (iii) "So, to summarise, we've agreed on the main location..."
- (iv) "To build on that, we could also add..."

- A. Building on an idea
- B. Disagreeing politely
- C. Involving a quiet candidate
- D. Summarising

(i) \_\_\_\_\_ (ii) \_\_\_\_\_ (iii) \_\_\_\_\_ (iv) \_\_\_\_\_

**Part B: Crafting collaborative responses**

2. Read the following scenario from a group discussion about "reducing plastic waste in school". Candidate X has just said, "We should ban plastic bottles in the canteen."

(i) Write a response that builds on Candidate X's idea.

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(ii) Write a response that politely introduces a different perspective (e.g., a difficulty or alternative)

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**Part C: Action plan for your next practice**

**3. Based on the article, what are two specific actions you could take in your next group discussion practice to be more collaborative? Be specific.**

**(i) First practice:**

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**(ii) Second practice:**

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