

Teaching notes

These planners could be used in different ways:

1. With pairs or groups

I've used the sheets to encourage students to record views and opinions before discussing their ideas. This helps them clarify their thoughts and provides the opportunity to review keywords for that topic.

They are also useful for proof of conversations, record keeping and inspections.

How to use them

1. The first sheet is for use in pairs, the second for groups of four and the third for groups of six.
2. I recommend blowing up your chosen sheet to A3 size to make it easier to use.
3. Place the sheet in the middle of the table.
4. In the outside boxes, each student records his/her own views.
5. In the middle box, a scribe for the pair/group records their shared views.

2. To support individual students

Alternatively, the sheets can be used by an individual student to record:

- arguments for and against a statement, with the student's own views in the middle box
- differing points in relation to an issue, e.g. facts, feelings, arguments for, arguments against
- notes/feedback on different parts of a lesson, e.g. at the beginning, part of the way through, at the end
- differing opinions in relation to an issue.



Our view is...



