

# LANGUAGE OBJECTIVES TIP SHEET

## Frames and Examples:

**SW (function: active verb phrase) using (language target).**

- SW report a group consensus using past-tense verbs: determined, concluded. (S)
- SW restate a partner's response using paraphrasing expressions. (what you are saying is) (S/L)

**SW (language target) to (function: active verb phrase).**

- SW use clarifying questions to predict the result of an experiment. (R)
- SW use academic vocabulary, syntax and appropriate grammar in writing. (W)

**SW (function: active verb phrase w/ lang target) to (illustrate content).**

- SW identify key information in academic text to understand how geography impacted colonial life. (R)
- SW summarize using complete sentences, how geography impacted colonial life. (W)

**SW (illustrate content) by (function: action verb phrase w/ lang target).**

- SW describe the order of operations by writing the steps in sequence. (W)
- SW explain the characteristics of liquids, solids and gases by orally describing with a partner. (S)

## Active Verbs & Verb Phrases – To Name Functions for Language Tasks

Ask Compare Contrast Debate Defend	Define Describe Discuss Explain Identify	Justify Label List Name Predict	Read Recite Revise Summarize Write
Point out similarities between	Articulate events in sequence	Express agreement or dissent	State opinions about

## Language Target Phrases

Academic language Descriptive adjectives Paraphrasing expressions Appropriate grammar	Complete sentences Complex sentences Clarifying questions Correct syntax	Subject verb agreement Past-tense verbs Sequencing words (then, finally) Appropriate tone
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