



Guiding Ideas

- Conversation: free exchange of ideas
- Expressive connection of students to class content
- Authentic guidance of instructor (keeping on track)
- Positive feedback and praise

F2F Discussions

Definition of small-group dynamics

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dialogue (n.)
from Old French *dialoge* and
directly from Latin *dialogus*,
from Greek *dialogos*
"conversation, dialogue,"
related to *dialogesthai*
"converse," from *dia* "across,
between" (see **dia-**) + *legein*
"to speak"

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DE Discussions

Zoom Discussions

Canvas Discussions Tool

Instructor Presence

Positive feedback & encouragement

Direction of dialogue (course content)

Discussion threading

Embedding Research and Disciplinary

Direction

Prompts and preset topics

Canvas Discussions Beta