



# Yes, and... Protocol

## TEACHER WORKSHEET

Yes, and... is a protocol that supports students with responding and adding to others' ideas instead of critiquing or modifying them. This is a great protocol to support students with thought-partnering with each other.

- 1) Prompt students to individually describe their ideas in writing, using as much detail as possible.
- 2) Divide students into groups of 2–4, and instruct them to rotate their papers to the right.
  - Students add "Yes, and..." comments to their partner's idea. Remind students to support the original idea without adding a different idea.
  - Repeat until papers have returned to their original idea creators.
- 3) Allow students time to read the "Yes, and..." comments that teammates wrote in response to their ideas.