

## Kachel 2 Gen Z @ work in the “phigital age”

## Taking Part in a Discussion

Asking for opinions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Could you tell us where/what/when/who/how/why ...?</li> <li>• What led you to this view/opinion/conclusion ...?</li> <li>• What’s your opinion on ...?</li> </ul>
Clarifying	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Are you saying that ...?</li> <li>• Could you explain what you meant by ...?</li> <li>• If I understood you correctly, you said that ...</li> </ul>
Expressing opinions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• As far as I’m concerned, ...</li> <li>• Let me just say this to prove my point: ...</li> <li>• I have the impression that ...</li> <li>• If I’m not mistaken, ...</li> <li>• The way I see it, ...</li> <li>• If it were up to me, ...</li> <li>• It is fairly certain that ...</li> <li>• I honestly feel that ...</li> <li>• Without a doubt, ...</li> <li>• Allowing for the fact that ...</li> </ul>
Defending your opinions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What I’m trying to say is ...</li> <li>• Let me explain what I mean in another way.</li> <li>• As I was saying, ...</li> </ul>
Agreeing with another opinion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• That’s a good point.</li> <li>• What XY says about ... is true.</li> <li>• I couldn’t agree more.</li> <li>• That makes sense to me.</li> <li>• So/Neither do I.</li> <li>• I support what you’ve just said.</li> </ul>
Disagreeing with another opinion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• That might be true, but ...</li> <li>• I’m afraid I have to disagree.</li> <li>• In my view, it’s a mistake to ...</li> <li>• Contrary to XY, I believe that ...</li> <li>• Shouldn’t we consider ...?</li> <li>• The truth of the matter is ...</li> <li>• Frankly, I doubt whether ...</li> <li>• Let’s face it, ...</li> <li>• No way./I don’t buy that.</li> <li>• Let’s agree to disagree.</li> <li>• You can’t make that comparison.</li> <li>• I think you’re jumping to conclusions.</li> <li>• That’s off the point.</li> </ul>
Partly agreeing with another opinion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Yes, up to that point, but ...</li> <li>• I can see where you are coming from, but ...</li> <li>• You might be right if we were to consider only this aspect, but ...</li> <li>• Obviously, this is true, but isn’t it even more important to consider the fact that ...</li> </ul>
Useful verbs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• to counter (<i>kontern</i>)</li> <li>• to rebut/refute (<i>widerlegen</i>) – rebuttal (n.)</li> <li>• to argue for/in favour of sth./against sth.</li> <li>• to address (<i>ansprechen</i>)</li> <li>• to make a point</li> <li>• to convince sb.</li> </ul>