

## Think-Pair-Share My Partner's Thoughts

Like the Think-Pair-Share strategy, the Think-Pair-Share My Partner's Thoughts strategy is used to encourage reflection during a classroom activity. It is a great way to check for understanding.

During the "think" stage, the teacher tells students to ponder a question or problem. This allows for wait time and helps students control the urge to impulsively shout out the first answer that comes to mind. Next, individuals are paired up and discuss their answer or solution to the problem. Students know they will have to share their partner's thoughts, rather than their own, so they will listen more intently during the discussion.

The teacher can use this activity as a formative assessment by listening to the conversations of each pair of students.

