CAE Speaking Phrases

What’s the function?

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| **Su…………………..**I feel passionate about….I absolutely detest….I’m totally in favour of….(+ing)I support….(+ing)*
 | **O……………**As far as I’m concerned,As I see it,From my point of view,In my humble opinion,I’d say that… |
| **C…………..ring/c……………..ting**Both symbol/images show…This symbol would make us seem…. whereas/while this symbol would…..In contrast………….On the other hand,………………..~*
 | **Describing im……….. or sym…………..**The first thing that strikes me about this image isThis symbol it looks as if/though we are…It could/might/may be seen as being….I’m pretty sure that this shows…I’d guess that the public would react… |
| **A……………………..**We see eye to eye on this.Yeah, I’d go along with that.Absolutely!You took the words right out of my mouth.I couldn’t agree more.That would work.You have a point there.I’m with you 100% on this one.*
 | **D…………………………..**We don’t see eye to eye on this.I take your point but…I tend to disagree with you there.That’s not always the caseI beg to differI’m afraid I disagreeWith the greatest of respect, I disagree |
| **Starting to make a f……l dec……………..**Let’s get down to the nitty gritty.The bottom line is we have to choose one…It’s a tough one, I’m torn between … and ….Shall we go with ….?*
 | **A…………… for opinion**What’s your take on….?Where do you stand on….?In my opinion…., would you go along with that?What are your thoughts on this? |
| **P………………sing**Speaking from personal experience,…For me personally,..This is a topic that is particularly close to my heart…It’s funny I was just thinking about this the other day.My gut/initial reaction is…If I were to choose one of these symbols, I’d go with… because… | **Impr…………………… structures**Another point I’d like to add about … is…It’s also worth bearing in mind that…Coming back to what (Javi) was saying about …. I’d also like to point out that…I think it’s important not to forget that…The vast majority of people tend to think that…At the end of the day…When all’s said and done… |
| **Tips**Eye-contactActive listeningOpen body languageSpeak up Don’t dominate | **Asking for r…………………..**I beg your pardon, I didn’t catch that.Sorry would you mind repeating that?Could you repeat the question please? |