PROMPT IDEAS 2

PHRASE	Meaning / Function	Example(s)
1 Telling better stories		
“Back when I was younger, I used to...”	Introduce and give some context to a story	Back when I was younger, I used to visit my grandparents every summer. Back when I was younger, I used to ride my bike around the neighborhood.
2 “Driving the Bus”, linking, organizing, structuring		
“As for...”	To move from one topic or subject to another	As for my brother, he's planning to move abroad next year. As for your question, I'll need some time to think about it.
3 Agreeing & Disagreeing		
“I agree with you when...”	A simple agreement statement that can lead to a speficity statement	I agree with you when you believe that communication is key to success. I agree with you when you suggest taking a break to clear our minds.

4 An IF starter….		
“If I were you, I’d…” I’d = I would	A common way to give advice that someone should follow	If I were you, I'd ask for help with the project. If I were you, I'd take some time to think before making a decision.

5 Conversational management: verbal nods, buying time etc		
“Oh, what I think about…?”	You restate the topic or question, a great way to give you more time to think	Oh, what I think about the movie? It was really exciting! Oh, what I think about your suggestion? We should definitely try it.

6 Idiom: Instant philosophy		
“Bite the bullet”	To do something unpleasant or difficult that can't be avoided.	I didn't want to go to the dentist, but I had to bite the bullet and make an appointment. She decided to bite the bullet and tell her boss about the mistake.

7 Other		
“Would you like to come?”	A very common and natural way to invite someone to join you	We're going to the park later; would you like to come?

	and do something together	I am planning to go there one day, would you like to come?