

How to

 be a supportive
scientific peer
or audience member.

LISTEN - Be an active listener, focus on what the author is saying.

ENGAGE - Ask questions or make a comment.

Comments can be as helpful as questions.



What was interesting about the project to you?

What did the author do especially well?



What questions do you have about the project?

If you are a peer or more experienced researcher, try to share a comment about how this work connects to or makes you think differently about your own work.

BE KIND - Be honest and treat the author as you would wish to be treated.



TYPES OF QUESTIONS -

Worth Questions: Why was this project important to you?

What are the future applications? Who should care about these results?

Methods Questions - What would you do differently if you were to repeat this project?

Could you describe <part of the project> in more detail?

What skills did you learn doing this project?

Next Step Questions - What are the next steps of this research?

When this project is complete, what will you do next?

