Social Skills

This list provides a sample of possible social skills needed when using collaborative groups. Sometimes these must be taught specifically but often “naming” them is enough.

- equal participation
- asking for clarification
- ignoring distractions
- negotiating
- checking for understanding
- encouraging others
- looking at the speaker
- integrating ideas
- being responsible
- following directions
- asking questions
- staying with the group
- contributing ideas
- expressing support and acceptance of ideas
- extending others’ responses
- disagreeing without criticizing
- summarizing