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Topic: Agreeing and Disagreeing Politely in Business Meetings

Vocabulary Cheat Sheet

1. "I see your point, but..." - Shows respectful disagreement.
2. "Can I offer another perspective?" - Introduces a new idea politely.
3. "I'd like to push back on that slightly." - Expresses disagreement gently.
4. "Absolutely. And to add to that..." - Signals agreement and expansion.

Script Excerpt Practice

Alex: Try saying, "I see your point, but I'd like to push back on that slightly."

Sam: I see your point... but... I'd like to push back on that... slightly.

Exercises

1. Fill in the Blank

- I see your _____, but...
- Can I offer another _____?
- I'd like to push back on that _____.
- Absolutely. And to _____ to that...

2. Rewrite for Fluency

Make these sound more natural:

- I don't agree.

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- You're wrong.
- That's not right.

3. Match the Meaning

Match each phrase to its use:

- A. I see your point, but...
- B. Can I offer another perspective?
- C. I'd like to push back on that slightly.
- D. Absolutely. And to add to that...

1. You agree, but want to expand.
2. You want to challenge someone's idea.
3. You respect their view, but have a different one.
4. You offer a new way of thinking.