30-Second Expert

To complete this activity, take a few minutes to fill in the left column, “What do I know about this topic?” Once you have written all that you know about the topic, follow the steps below.

**STEP 1:** Stand and find a partner. Stay standing.

**STEP 2:** One person shares his or her thoughts while the other listens. You have 30 seconds to share. Begin by saying, “I am an expert on this topic because I know…”

**STEP 3:** The listener will summarize what he or she has heard. Begin your summary with “According to” (insert name) and summarize what you heard. After your summary, ask, “Did I get that right?”

**STEP 4:** Reverse roles. Speaker becomes listener and listener now speaks.

**STEP 5:** Be sure to thank your partner when you are finished.

**STEP 6:** Record any new knowledge in the right column.

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**Topic or prompt:** 

**Partner’s name:** 

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