



## Pre-Conference Protocol

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*Developed in the field by educators affiliated with NSRF.*

**Purpose:**

- To become more familiar with questions to ask at a preconference
  - To become more comfortable matching protocols and situations
  - To recognize that more than one protocol can be effective in any given situation
1. Presenter makes a brief presentation of the work they will be presenting to the CFG.
  2. The rest of the group is broken into pairs. Each "Pair" will function as a "Coach."
  3. The Coach/pairs, after hearing the presentation, peruse the protocols and choose two they feel will work
  4. The Coach/pairs also prepare a follow-up question to ask the presenter.
  5. During this time the presenter is also perusing the protocols to see which one might work (the presenter can also be given a guardian angel to help choose a protocol).
  6. Go around the room and have each Coach/pair ask their question.
  7. Presenter answers the questions as they are asked.
  8. Once all the questions have been asked and answered there are a few minutes for any other necessary clarifying questions.
  9. Each Coach/pair then makes their final decision about which protocol they feel would be most appropriate and WHY.
  10. Go around the coach/pairs and hear the ideas for protocols and reasons why.
  11. Presenter makes the final choice which protocol they would like to use.