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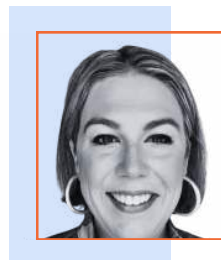
For Conversation Beyond Classrooms

While we most often serve K-12 schools, we also partner with a handful of organizations that are interested in building conversation skills in other contexts: higher ed, business, non-profit, and the list goes on!

Led directly by R.E.A.L.® Founder Liza Garonzik, we collaborate with non-K-12 clients on a consulting basis. We have experience working with a broad range of institutions, from high-growth companies to non-profits. Projects tend to run 6-9 months and tackle a strategic initiative or capacity-building priority.

Our expertise in the mechanics of conversation is woven into our consulting process. We relate (and connect dots in surprising ways); we collect evidence (quantitative and qualitative); we ask hard questions (and then follow-up); and we always, always listen deeply.

“Liza met my audience of coaches exactly where they were and adjusted her approach with ease and care. Her ability to slow conversations down and make people feel genuinely heard is what makes her work so impactful — she models the active listening she is teaching. **Our coaches were thrilled and our coaching conversations are better because of this work.** Thank you!”



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About Liza Garonzik

R.E.A.L.® Discussion Founder Liza Garonzik brings her signature balance of research, stories, curiosity, and optimism to all consulting engagements. She loves nothing more than partnering shoulder-to-shoulder to get creative about how to build conversation skills - and ultimately, deepen human connection - in your context.



Here's Liza's official bio:

Liza Garonzik is the Founder of R.E.A.L.® Discussion and the author of *Conversation Comeback*, inspired by her experience as a teacher and administrator. Since launching R.E.A.L.® in 2021, Liza has partnered with 100+ K-12 schools on discussion skill-building. Her work has been featured by the Wall Street Journal, National Association of Independent Schools, Association of Boarding Schools, International Schools Services, Transcend Education Models Exchange, Enrollment Management Association, and more.

Liza is a graduate of Harvard College (A.B.) and University of Pennsylvania (MS.Ed) with additional Fellowships at Klingenstein Center, Transcend Network, and New Sector Alliance. She has served on the boards of several education non-profits and lives outside Atlanta with her family—and many animals!

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