



Erik Hagoort // I don't know what you are going to say

Thinking together aloud.

Talking uninhibitedly.

Holding a non-polemic conversation.

How can you receive an idea hospitably?

You don't know what the other person is going to say.

You don't always know what you yourself are going to say.

This book provides a picture of the 'thinking aloud' that went on during several gatherings initiated by Erik Hagoort. In a series of essays, he builds on ideas on closeness that originate from Ilse Bulhof, Emmanuel Levinas and Cornelis Verhoeven.

I don't know what you are going to say contains disarming lines of thought that prompt further thinking on aspects of encounter: uninhibitedness, embarrassment, astonishment and responsibility.

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