

Socratic Seminar Rubric

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makes direct references to others' points
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85%

regularly contributes to the discussion
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pays attention when others speak
makes general references to others' points
attempts to include others in the conversation

75%

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vaguely explains ideas
pays attention when others speak
refers to others' general ideas
makes no attempt to include others

50%

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shows little evidence of knowledge of the text
makes distracting remarks
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