

# Socratic Seminar Rubric

This is a basic scoring rubric for a Socratic seminar, based on the PowerPoint. If you use this or any rubric, please make sure to go over the expectations for the Socratic seminar, including the questions that will be asked ahead of time.

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Preparation	Unable to locate factual evidence in the text with a page number	Locates evidence in support of an idea under discussion	Uses evidence in the text to expand on, analyze, or critique an idea	Uses evidence in the text to create a new idea or draw connections among ideas
Participation	Speaks off topic, shows uninvolved attitude, offers opinions without textual support	Presents unexplained ideas, becomes involved sporadically, or only when called upon	Contributes to the conversation, both when called upon and on his/her own accord	Frequently contributes meaningfully to the discussion
Sharing	Interrupts others while they are talking, ignores others and the process	Makes tangential remarks, actively listening but not adding to the conversation	Attempts to explain ideas, may initiate a new idea	Explains ideas clearly, initiates new ideas, includes others through verbal exchange
Supporting	Attempts to obstruct the Socratic process	No able to build upon another student's statements	Occasionally refers to another's point	Builds on another's point explains ideas thoroughly, makes references to points made by other students