

Rubric for Discussion Postings

	Excellent	Good	Acceptable	Poor
Demonstrated Engagement	Posting demonstrates a thorough understanding of the reading assignment and is substantiated by <i>detailed</i> support facts, evidence, examples	Posting demonstrates an understanding of the reading assignment and is substantive, supports opinion or claim with one example of evidence, support, fact	Posting demonstrates an understanding of the reading assignment but post is brief with no evidence or support	Posting demonstrates very little understanding of the reading assignment. Student expresses personal opinion w/ no support
POINTS	5	4	3	1
Contribution to the Class Discussion -	Posting is insightful, thorough, and Invites, incites, welcomes or evokes response from classmates	Posting is thorough and interesting but does not invite, elicit or call to classmates to respond	Posting is one sided and does not invite, welcome, response	Posting was unacceptable or not submitted.
POINTS	5	5	3	0
Grammar, Mechanics, Spelling	Posting is highly polished; no grammar or spelling errors.	Posting is polished; maximum of two grammar or spelling error.	more than two spelling or grammar errors or replete with typos.	more than 5 spelling or grammar errors, all caps, emoticons
POINTS	5	5	2	1
Critical Thinking (analyze, synthesize, classify, apply)	Posting synthesizes new information 2) make an analytical connections 3) form a unique and personalized opinions supported by examples.	Posting synthesizes new information 2) make an analytical connections but student resorts to generalizations 3) form a unique and personalized opinions but not supported by examples.	Post does not indicate critical thinking, but instead repeating back facts, data from the text or another person	Reply was unacceptable or was not submitted.
POINTS	5	4	2	0
Replies to at Least One Other Student	Reply is insightful, thorough and Substantive. Replies to two or more classmates	Reply is thorough and interesting. Replies to one classmate	Reply is uninteresting and/or too brief.	Reply was unacceptable or was not submitted.
POINTS	5	5	2	0