Common Core Discussion Rubric /15

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|  | **5** | **4** | **3** | **2** | **1** |
| **Quality of Comments** | * **Builds on others’ ideas**
* **Expresses their own ideas clearly**
* Contributes comments that are timely, appropriate, thoughtful, and reflective
* Responds respectfully to other student’s remarks
* Provokes questions and comments from the group
 | * Volunteers comments, most are appropriate and reflect some thoughtfulness
* Comments lead to other questions or remarks from students and/or others
 | * Volunteers comments but lacks depth
* Comments may or may not lead to other questions from students
 | * Struggles, but participates
* Occasionally offers a comment when directly questioned
* May simply restate questions or points previously raised; may add nothing new to the discussion or provoke any responses or questions
 | * Does not participate and/or only makes negative or disruptive remarks
* Comments are inappropriate or off topic
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| **Resource/****Document****Reference** | * **Comes to discussions prepared, having read or studied required material**
* Explicitly draws on that preparation and other information known about the topic to explore ideas under discussion
* Clear reference to text being discussed and connects it to other texts or reference points from previous readings and discussions
* **Reviews the key ideas expressed and draws conclusions in light of information and knowledge gained from the discussion**
 | * Has done the reading with some thoroughness, may lack some detail or critical insight
 | * Has done the reading
* Comments lack thoroughness of understanding or insight
 | * Has not read the entire text and cannot sustain any reference to it in the course of discussion
 | * Unable to refer to text for evidence or support remarks
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| **Active Listening** | * Posture, demeanor, eye contact, and behavior clearly demonstrate respect and attentiveness to others
* **Follows agreed-upon rules or group norms for discussions and carries out assigned roles**
 | * Listens to others most of the time
* Does not stay focused on others’ comments (too busy formulating own) or loses continuity of discussion
* Shows consistency in responding to the comments of others
 | * Listens to others some of the time
* Does not stay focused on others’ comments (too busy formulating own)
* Loses continuity of discussion
* Shows some consistency in responding to the comments of others
 | * Drifts in and out of discussion, listening to some remarks while clearly missing or ignoring others
 | * Disrespectful of others when they are speaking
* Behavior indicates total non-involvement with group or discussion
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