

IB/AP English
Graded Discussion Rubric

Name _____

Topic _____

Date _____

Excellent membership in discussion (A)

Varied, insightful, and focused comments
Clear and thorough understanding of the text(s), including the author's craft
Frequent and appropriate references to the text(s)
Evident preparation for the discussion
Balance of time spent speaking and listening
Questions and comments effectively directed toward other members & their contributions
Respectful of all discussion members

Effective membership in discussion (B)

Varied, focused, and frequently insightful comments
Clear understanding of the text(s), including author's craft
Sufficient appropriate references to the text(s)
Evident preparation for the discussion
Balance of time spent speaking and listening
Questions and comments directed toward other members & their contributions
Respectful of all discussion members

Acceptable membership in discussion (C)

Usually focused and sometimes varied comments although some may be irrelevant
Understanding of the text(s) may be limited or unexpressed
Some references to the text(s); some may be inappropriate
Some evidence of preparation for the discussion
Time spent speaking and listening may not be balanced
Some questions or comments directed toward others, but many are independent
Usually respectful of other discussion members

Unacceptable membership in discussion (D-F)

Few comments; irrelevant comments
Little or no evidence of understanding of the text(s)
Few or no references to the text(s); inappropriate references to the text(s)
Little or no evidence of preparation for the discussion
Lack of balance in time spent speaking and listening
Little or no attempt to engage others in the discussion
May be disrespectful of other discussion members

No Membership in Discussion (no grade)

No participation in discussion
No evidence of preparation for discussion

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: