

## Socratic Discussion

Effective participants...	Ineffective participants...	NOTES
<b>CONTENT PARTICIPATION</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bring notes and text to discussion to show proper preparation.</li> <li>• Offer thoughtful and relevant interpretations, comments, or connections; stay focused on discussion.</li> <li>• Ask a related, open-ended question.</li> <li>• Consider different points of view.</li> <li>• Cite evidence from the text to support or make a point.</li> <li>• Augment discussion with relevant research findings.</li> <li>• Incorporate relevant vocabulary.</li> <li>• Ask for clarification, if needed.</li> <li>• Take notes during discussion, if needed, to clarify ideas or remember certain points.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Monopolize the discussion.</li> <li>• Fail to participate in discussion.</li> <li>• Make contributions that are off-topic.</li> <li>• Come unprepared to discussion.</li> <li>• Lack evidence to support points.</li> <li>• Engage in debate rather than a collective discussion.</li> </ul>	
<b>CONVERSATIONAL TECHNIQUES</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Maintain eye contact with those who are speaking.</li> <li>• Direct comments to the whole group and not just the leader.</li> <li>• Listen attentively.</li> <li>• Call other participants by name.</li> <li>• Speak clearly and loudly, pace words, and use proper grammar.</li> <li>• Participate respectfully.</li> <li>• Avoid monopolizing the conversation or interrupting a speaker.</li> <li>• Use transitional phrases to connect to others' comments and acknowledge their contributions.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Interrupt a speaker.</li> <li>• Disagree (or agree) with others disrespectfully.</li> <li>• Talk out of turn.</li> <li>• Speak inaudibly or too fast so others cannot hear or understand comments.</li> <li>• Initiate sidebar conversations.</li> <li>• Fail to acknowledge others' contributions.</li> <li>• Use foul and inappropriate language.</li> </ul>	
<b>GOAL SETTING</b>		
<p><b>Before:</b> What goals will you focus on during this Seminar discussion?</p>		
<p><b>After:</b> How well do you feel you met your goals?</p>		