



Discussion and Debate

Socratic Discussion Guidelines

Here are guidelines you will use before each Socratic discussion and debate.

- 1 Be prepared.**
Read or view the text you are going to talk about.
- 2 Be patient and respectful.**
Let everyone finish their thoughts. Let everyone answer questions.
- 3 Listen.**
People will have different ideas from you. You will learn more from listening to others than from listening to yourself.
- 4 Speak.**
Your idea is valuable. Give everyone the gift of hearing from you!
- 5 Support your ideas with evidence.**
Otherwise why should anyone believe you?

Guiding Questions

These questions help your classmates locate and articulate their support and connections.



Can you say more about that?

What part of the text connects with that idea?



What do you think of _____'s point?

I agree with you because _____.



I disagree with the part where you said _____ because _____.



Online

List the text(s) you read in preparation for this discussion below.

Author(s):

Title(s):



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Before Discussion

Big question:

My answer

Parts of the text(s) that support my answer



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During Discussion

Speaker's name	Ideas and evidence I heard during discussion

After Discussion

New ideas and thoughts about the big question