

## NOVEL STUDY DISCUSSION FACILITATION



**Your task:** In a group of 2-3 (no more than 3). You will work together (but be formally graded individually) to create a brief presentation and facilitate a class discussion. This is a formal grade that will be based on how well your group facilitates and fosters a class discussion.

**1) Each group will give a brief (3-5 minute) summary of events in their assigned chapters.**

When summarizing fiction, you should consider the following questions:

- DECISIONS WITH PURPOSE: What major decisions do the characters make, and why?
- CONFLICTS/OBSTACLES/CHALLENGES: What conflicts, obstacles, or challenges do the characters face, and how do they deal with them?
- LESSONS/INSIGHTS/MESSAGES: What lessons do any of the characters learn? What do WE learn?
- CAUSES AND EFFECTS: What events/actions have major effects on characters? How do the characters react?
- PATTERNS: What patterns from either this passage or the rest of the book do you notice in the chapters?

**2) Then, for another 10-15 minutes your group will conduct a discussion posing open-ended questions that will spark discussion.** You may refer to note cards, Post-its in the chapter, or annotations that you have done. *For extra spark to the discussion bring in quotes, research, objects, pictures, photos or a video clip to connect to the text and excite your audience members!!* **It is your job to foster a rich, meaningful and respectful discussion amongst the whole class**

**\_\_\_/ 30 pts. Summary preparation**

**\_\_\_/ 30 posing of higher order thinking discussion questions**

**\_\_\_/ 20 Use of standard English and sophisticated vocabulary**

**\_\_\_/ 10 Eye contact with range of audience members**

**\_\_\_/ 10 Appropriate volume and poise**

**\_\_\_/ 100pts. TOTAL**

<b>Group Number</b>	<b>Group Members</b>	<b>Chapters you'll present on</b>	<b>Date you'll present</b>
1	Julissa, Fatima, Amada	15-17	October 17th
2	Cesar, Daniel, Eric	18-20	October 23rd
3	Angel, Roberto, Demarris	21-23	October 29th
4	Taylor, Kaniyah, Raekwon	24-26	November 1st
5	Honesty, Gionna, Jaleah	27-29	November 7th
6	Ashley, Liz, Karen	30-32	November 15th
7	Gabriel, Mekhi	33-35	November 19th
8	Stephani, T'azya, Oriyannah	36-38	November 20th