

Online Discussion Rubric

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Promptness and Initiative	Responds to postings sporadically; 3 times or less during the time period.	Responds to postings evenly throughout the time period on 5 different days.	Even responses to postings and demonstrates good self-initiative.
Delivery of Post	Utilizes poor spelling and grammar in most posts; posts appear "hasty"	Few grammatical or spelling errors are noted in posts	Consistently uses grammatically correct posts with rare misspellings
Relevance of Post	Posts topics which relate to the readings	Posts topics which are related to readings and to peers' and instructor's postings	Prompts further discussion of topic by relating to real life experiences.
Expression Within the Post	Does not express opinions or ideas clearly; no connection to topic	Unclear connection to topic evidenced in minimal expression of opinions or ideas	Opinions and ideas are stated clearly with obvious connection to topic through usage of topic terminology
Contribution to the Learning Community	Occasionally makes meaningful reflection on group's efforts; marginal effort to become involved with group	Frequently attempts to direct the discussion and to present relevant viewpoints for consideration by group; interacts freely	Aware of needs of community; frequently attempts to motivate the group discussion; presents creative approaches to topic