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| **Discussion Board Rubric**  Participation is measured by posting an initial post/thread in a timely fashion, allowing other students time to respond.  You should make a minimum of 3 postings in total:  One initial post and at least two thoughtful responses to *different* classmates.  Your participation will be graded as follows: | | | | |
| **A Discussion**  (90-100 points)  A-level postings: | **B Discussion**  (80-89 points)  B-level postings: | **C Discussion**  (70-79 points)  C-level postings: | **D Discussion**  (60-69 points)  D-level postings: | **F Discussion**  (0-59 points) |
| Initial post is made in a timely fashion, giving others the opportunity to respond. (Sunday by 11:59pm)  (20 points) | Initial post made, but not always in a timely fashion to allow others time to respond. | Initial post is not made in a timely fashion to allow others time to respond. | Initial post is not made in a timely fashion and/or post not made at all. | Initial post is not made.  **OR**  The quality of the initial post is not relevant to the course/ prompt given.  Significant spelling and grammar errors included.  (points) |
| Initial post makes connections to the course content and/or other experiences. Post is a minimum of 10 sentences and includes a text reference  (30 points) | Initial post makes connections to the course content and/or other experiences, but connections are unclear, not firmly established or are not obvious. Required length is not met | Initial post is generally accurate, considers the content of the  prompt but the information delivered is limited and lacks detail. Post does not meet the length requirements. | Initial post is unclear or contains incomplete connections between course content/prompt. Post does not meet the length requirements. |
| At least two responses are made to classmates.  (20 points) | At least two responses made to classmates. | At least one response made to classmates. | Peer responses are not present. |
| Responses extend discussions or poses new information not previously voiced. A text reference is included. Responses are a minimum of 7 sentences.  (20 points) | Responses are given but are very vague. Minimum length requirement is not met. | Response is given but does not enhance the subject matter. Minimum length requirement is not met. | Peer responses are not present. |
| No grammar and spelling errors noted.  (10 points) | Includes a minimum number of grammar and spelling errors | Some grammar and spelling errors included. | Significant spelling and grammar errors included. |
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