Frequency	15-13 points	13-11 points	11-9 points	9-7 points	7-0 points
	Posts no fewer than five posts, on five different calendar days, with at least one original post, and one response to another student post	Posts at least four posts, on at least three different calendar days, at least one original post	Posts at least three posts, at least one original post.	Posts at least once, at least one original post	Few or no posts, no original posts.
Depth	23-21 points	21-19 points	19-17 points	17-15 points	15-0 points
	Posts are well written and articulate, and free of grammatical and spelling errors. Total word count for all posts is at least 1000 words regardless of the number of posts	Posts convey a somewhat clear meaning, if not well written, and have some errors. Total word count is at least 800 words regardless of the number of posts	Some posts are clear, but some are poorly written and contain spelling and grammatical errors. Total word count is at least 700 words regardless of the number of posts	Most posts are poorly written and contain spelling and grammatical errors. Total word count is at least 600 words regardless of the number of posts	All posts are poorly written and contain spelling and grammatical errors, to the point of being unclear or impossible to understand. Total word count is 500 words or fewer words regardless of the number of posts
Quality of Comments	23-21 points	21-19 points	19-17 points	17-15 points	15-0 points
	Timely and appropriate comments, thoughtful and reflective, responds respectfully to other student's remarks, provokes questions	Volunteers comments, most are appropriate and reflect some thoughtfulness, leads to other questions or remarks from student and/or others	Volunteers comments but lacks depth, may or may not lead to other questions from students	Struggles but participates, occasionally offers a comment when directly questioned, may simply restate questions or points previously raised, may add nothing new	Does not participate and/or only makes negative or disruptive remarks, comments are inappropriate or off topic

	and comments from			to the discussion or	
	the group			provoke no	
				responses or	
				question	
Resource/Document	7-6 points	6-5 points	5-4 points	4-3 points	3-0 points
Reference					
	Clear reference to	Has done the reading	Has done the	Has not read the	Unable to refer to
	text being discussed	with some	reading; lacks	entire text and	text for evidence or
	and connects to it to	thoroughness, may	thoroughness of	cannot sustain any	support of remarks
	other texts or	lack some detail or	understanding or	reference to it in the	
	reference points	critical insight	insight	course of discussion	
	from previous				
	readings and				
	discussions				
Active Listening	7-6 points	6-5 points	5-4 points	4-3 points	3-0 points
	Posture, demeanor	Listens to others	Listens to others	Drifts in and out of	Disrespectful of
	and behavior clearly	most of the time,	some of the time,	discussion, listening	others when they are
	demonstrate	does not stay	does not stay	to some remarks	speaking; behavior
	netiquette respect	focused on other's	focused on other's	while clearly missing	indicates total non-
	and attentiveness to	comments (too busy	comments (too busy	or ignoring others	involvement with
	others	formulating own) or	formulating own) or		group or discussion
		loses continuity of	loses continuity of		
		discussion. Shows	discussion. Shows		
		consistency in	some consistency in		
		responding to the	responding to the		
		comments of others	comments of others		
Total	75-67 points	67-59 points	59-51 points	51-43 points	43-0 points