

A Doll House Socratic Seminar:

Answer the following questions in your journal, label as entry “**SS**” (see AP [checklist](#)), quantities are specified after each question. Complete on **one** side of one sheet of paper in your journal (1 page total)

1. Compare Nora and Helmer as developing characters. What opportunities for change does Helmer have? How does he respond? (3)
2. If the Helmers are the protagonists, how are Mrs. Linde, Krogstad, and Dr. Rank foils to them? How do they individually and collectively compare and contrast with these characters? More importantly, how do they “foil” them? (i.e. see the protagonists better because of them) (3)
3. How does _____ serve as an important symbol *throughout* the play? This means that you would chart its development and change over time. Consider macaroons, Nora’s nicknames, the tarantella dance, her dance costume, money, and more.
4. Interpret the closing arguments of the play (p.1167-1175). What changes in the relationship happen during these pages? What is the most important moments or quotes from this dialogue? When does Nora change? How should we have seen this moment happening? How do you interpret Helmer’s final words? (3)

Answer the following questions in your journal solely based on the **one assigned number from the above questions** you chose within your group of four. You are in charge of leading a discussion on that question; therefore, these questions are intended to prepare you for the discussion and to take notes on as the discussion unfolds. Complete on **one** side of one sheet of paper in your journal. (1 page total)

5. What number question are you leading a discussion of? (1)
6. List 5+ sub-questions that you will ask to help lead your group to discuss the larger question. (5)
7. List 5+ examples from the text that you could point your group towards discussing this question with page numbers (5)
8. Answer your main question from a chosen character’s perspective (5).
9. Take notes today during the various discussions: what insights did other people have? What new perspectives did they give you? How did they challenge or confirm your opinion? (5)