Literature Circle Discussions

Role	Meeting Contribution
Facilitator	 four main discussion questions prompts people to consider issues in different ways (well, what about) keeps discussion focused on the text
Analyst	 brings passages into the discussion to support topics directs people to the text to prove and reinforce points
Linguist	 brings focus on diction to the discussion challenges people to think about how language is used
Researcher	 provides a companion text expands group discussion through comparison to the companion text

Standard	4	3	2	1
14 - Participate	I can use evidence	I can ask	I can add to ideas	I can not yet
effectively in	to ask specific	questions, add to	and make	add to ideas or
discussions by	questions, develop	ideas, support	connections in a	make
posing questions,	ideas, support	ideas, and make	group discussion.	connections in a
building on and	ideas, and make	connections in a		group
challenging ideas,	connections in a	group discussion		discussion.
making	group discussion	using evidence to		
connections, and	using evidence to	support my		
justifying views	focus my	perspective.		
with evidence.	perspective			
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To perform well in this area: Participate consistently in the group discussion by sharing your ideas, responding to others' ideas, and posing questions to individual speakers and the group. Focus your contributions on the material by using evidence from the novel and your own lit circle work.

Contribution Examples

Contribution Code	Example	
E (Evidence)	At the beginning of the story the girl says the marigolds are "an incongruency of memory"	
Q (Question)	What does the girl think about marigolds?	
QE (Question with Evidence)	Why does the girl describe marigolds as "an incongruency of memory?"	
C (Comment)	I just think she doesn't really like flowers.	
CE (Comment with Evidence)	I just think she doesn't really like flowers because she says they are "incongruent" they don't fit with everything else in her town.	
F (Facilitation)	Jonas, what do you think about the girl's attitude towards marigolds?	

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Participant	+	Δ
Joplin, Janis	Q, C, CE, Q, CE, CE, C, QE, CE \bullet CE, CE, CE, QE, CE, F, CE, C \bullet CE, QE, QE, C, CE	D
Cobain, Kurt	$C, C, CE, F, C, Q, QE, Q, C, F, CE \bullet QE, Q, C, C, F, C, Q, \bullet CE, QE, F$	
McKernan, Ron	$C, Q, Q, \bullet CE, Q, C, Q, CE \bullet$	Z , Z ,
Winehouse, Amy	CE, CE, CE, QE, CE, CE, C \bullet CE, Q, C, CE, Q, CE \bullet CE, QE, QE, C, CE	
Morrison, James	CE, QE, CE, CE, CE, CE, QE CE ● CE,	0, 0,
Hendrix, Jimi	Q, QE, F, QE, C, CE ● CE, F, QE ● CE, QE, CE	
Key	C - Comment Q - Question E - Evidence F - Facilitation ● - 5 minute mark	D - Disrespectful O - Off Topic
	CE - Comment with Evidence QE - Question with Evidence	Z - Unengaged

Date: March 17, 2015

Period: 1 2 3 4 5

Topic: Nature and Meaning of Moderation

What can you discern about each person's participation and preparedness?

Consider: Comments vs. Questions

Evidence vs. No Evidence

Amount of Facilitation vs. Deltas

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Discussion Agenda Facilitator's Linguist's Questions Analyst's Selected **Passages** Words / **Terms Facilitator:** Analyst, Linguist, Researcher: Introduce questions Focus and expand Researcher's Prompt discussion on discussion by relating Article different aspects of each questions to passages, terms, and outside text question

Take two minutes to consider the following and then be ready to share out your response.

What was the most interesting idea that came up in your discussion?