

Socratic Seminar Evaluation

Evaluating students in Socratic Seminar is difficult, but can be achieved through multiple angles. Keep in mind that communication has four forms: reading, writing, speaking and listening. In order to evaluate students as accurately as possible, we can triangulate their grades using various techniques.

	Communication Forms	Examples	Suggested Percentage
Individual Contributions	Speaking, Listening	Mapping, Tallying, Recordings, Transcripts, “Two cents worth”	10-40%
Group Grade	Speaking, Listening	Debriefing, Rubric, Goal setting	10-40%
Written Work	Writing, Reading	Journaling, Thesis papers, Writing prompts	10-30%
Anchor Papers	Reading, Writing	Student-generated, teacher-generated, state exemplars	10-30%
Observation Forms	Listening, Speaking	Outer circle forms, random selection	10-30%
Rubrics	Reading, Writing, Listening, Speaking	Participation rubric, personal goal rubric, comprehensive rubric	10-30%
Self-Assessment	Speaking, Listening	Checklist, paired checklist, goal achievement	10-30%
Quizzes or Tests	Reading, Writing, Listening	Text oriented, process oriented	0-20%