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Class: _____

Due Date: _____

Introduction

Welcome to the Thoughtful Speaking Homework Sheet!

This worksheet is designed to help you practice your speaking skills and develop your ability to engage in thoughtful discussions. You will find a variety of activities and questions that will challenge you to think critically and express your opinions clearly.

Vocabulary Building

Match the following vocabulary words with their definitions:

1. Perspective
2. Argument
3. Counterargument
4. Evidence
5. Claim

Definitions:

1. a) A point of view or opinion on a particular topic
2. b) A statement or assertion
3. c) A opposing view or argument
4. d) Facts or data used to support a claim
5. e) A claim or statement supported by evidence

Discussion Starters

Choose one of the following discussion starters and write a short paragraph (5-7 sentences) responding to the question:

1. What do you think is the most important issue facing our world today?
2. How do you think we can promote cultural understanding and respect in our community?
3. What is your opinion on the importance of recycling?

Role-Play Activity

Imagine you are in a job interview and the interviewer asks you to discuss a current event. Choose a current event and write a short script (5-7 sentences) for your response.

Listening and Responding

Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow:

"The importance of education cannot be overstated. Education is the key to unlocking one's potential and achieving success in life. Without education, individuals are limited in their ability to contribute to society and improve their economic prospects."

1. What is the main idea of the passage?
2. What is the author's opinion on the importance of education?
3. Do you agree or disagree with the author's opinion? Why or why not?

Debate

Choose one of the following debate topics and write a short argument (5-7 sentences) for or against the topic:

1. Should schools start later in the morning?
2. Is social media beneficial or harmful?
3. Should recycling be mandatory?

Reflective Journaling

Write a reflective journal entry (5-7 sentences) on the following prompt:

What did you learn about thoughtful speaking and discussion in this homework sheet? How can you apply what you learned to your everyday life?

Conversation Starters

Choose one of the following conversation starters and write a short script (5-7 sentences) for a discussion with a partner:

1. What do you think about the latest movie release?
2. How do you think we can reduce waste in our community?
3. What is your favorite book or movie and why?

Self-Assessment

Evaluate your own speaking skills and identify areas for improvement. Write a short reflection (5-7 sentences) on the following prompt:

What are your strengths and weaknesses in terms of speaking and discussion? What strategies can you use to improve your speaking skills?

Conclusion

Congratulations on completing the Thoughtful Speaking Homework Sheet!

Remember to practice your speaking skills regularly and engage in thoughtful discussions with others. Good luck with your continued learning and improvement!