Socratic Seminar Observation Checklist

Discussion Topic: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Observer Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Observed Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Directions: Each time your partner does one of the following, put a check in the box.

Makes a point in the discussion

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Responds to or adds on to another speaker’s point in the discussion

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Makes eye contact with other speakers or as she or he speaks

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Makes a direct textual reference

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Asks a new or follow-up question

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Encourages another participant to speak

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Interrupts another speaker

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Engages in side conversation

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Dominates the conversation

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After the discussion:

What is the most interesting thing your partner said in the discussion?

What would you liked to have said in the discussion?