

Socratic Seminar for Friday, 10/5/13 | The Gov'ment and the AP Students

Our first graded Socratic Seminar will take place this Friday. The purpose of this seminar will be to practice our argument skills. You will be graded on the following criteria:

Preparation	Up to 5 points
Outer Circle Participation	Up to 5 points
Inner Circle Participation	Up to 5 points

Preparation = coming to class with at least one meaningful question **and** one meaningful quote or statement

Outer Circle Preparation = thoughtful listening and criticism including specific comments about the inner circle's performance

Inner Circle Participation = thoughtful and relevant participation in the conversation – Did you ask a question? Did you make a connection? Did you make a claim? Did you challenge a claim? Did you play the devil's advocate? What did you contribute to the discussion? The key parts of this grade are "thoughtfulness" and "relevance."

Topic: "The Gov'ment and the AP Students"

I want you to think about our recent AoW's. How much power should the government have? What role should the government have in our everyday lives? Is the NSA overreaching, or do we need the NSA to have the power to look into personal files? Is Obamacare an unfair burden on some Americans, or is it a necessary means of taking care of all citizens? How does the excerpt from *Reading Lolita in Tehran* figure into this discussion?

I'm not asking you to do copious amounts of new work; I'm asking you to organize your thoughts on some of our current readings. The government shutdown also fits into this discussion. If you flip this page over, you'll see some additional tidbits from the Twitter and the Google. Thanks, drobz39 for the Eye of Mordor comic.

Five reasons Americans already love ObamaCare

By Sally Kohn | Published September 30, 2013 | FoxNews.com

Americans of all political stripes like choice and competition, which is precisely what the ObamaCare health insurance exchanges will create.

1. ObamaCare allows young Americans to stay on their parents' insurance plans
2. ObamaCare bans insurance companies from denying coverage for pre-existing conditions
3. ObamaCare offers tax credits to small businesses to buy insurance
4. ObamaCare requires companies with more than 50 employees to provide health insurance.
5. ObamaCare provides subsidies to help individuals afford coverage



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