Philosophical Chairs Discussion Scoring Rubric

Summary of Speech: Scoring

1	Not Used	Did not summarize his/her argument
2	Little Used	Had a reference but no information
3	Acceptable	Made references and included facts from the text
	Use	
4	Excellent Use	Restated arguments and included facts from the text
5	Outstanding	Restated arguments and all facts supported by text and
	Use	other sources

Thoughtful Reflection: Scoring

1	Not Used	Did not have understanding of the topic
2	Little Used	Had superficial understanding of the topic
3	Acceptable	Understood topic well enough to explain own argument
	Use	
4	Excellent Use	Explained most of complexity of the topic
5	Outstanding	Complexity of the topic explained and used arguments
	Use	

Use of Specific Examples: Scoring

1	Not Used	No examples from the text
2	Little Used	One example from the text
3	Acceptable	Several examples from the text with some explanation
	Use	
4	Excellent Use	Examples from the text with each explained
5	Outstanding	Examples from the text with each explained and
	Use	extended to fit the argument

Academic Discourse: Scoring

1	Not Used	Errors in agreement and non-standard English
2	Little Used	Informal English and using words " like" "you know" and "thing"
3	Acceptable Use	Standard English usage and complete ideas
4	Excellent Use	Standard English usage with no mistakes and with use of some analogies or examples. Develops an argument. Uses some vocabulary terms.
5	Outstanding Use	Standard English usage without mistakes. Student develops an argument using analogies, examples, and precise text references to support the argument. Uses many vocabulary terms that relate to the topic.