Literature e-Circles Project Rubric

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Content Identification of theme	We identify an important and relevant theme that is carefully supported with several specific instances in the book.	We identify a reasonable theme that is supported by specific instances in the book.	We identify a superficial theme that may be supported by a few instances in the book.	We fail to identify a theme that is supported by the book.
Connections between the book's theme and real-life perspectives	We thoughtfully illustrate the complexity of the theme by making logical and accurate connections with real-life examples from different points of view. We make an important conclusion about the theme that applies to our lives.	We illustrate the theme with several relevant real- life examples. We make a logical conclusion about the theme.	We partially illustrate the theme with a few real-life examples. We attempt to make a conclusion about the theme.	We inaccurately illustrate the theme with irrelevant examples. We fail to draw a conclusion about the theme.
Format and Conventions	We select a format appropriate for the theme and content. We use components (such as acting, scenery, graphics, sound, and video) effectively to enhance meaning.	We select an appropriate format. We use technology to communicate meaning. We attempt to show originality. We follow oral or written conventions appropriately, but we have	We select a format that does not enhance the theme or content. We attempt to use technology appropriately. We make little attempt to show originality. We make some errors in	We select an inappropriate format. We fail to use technology appropriately. We have predictable work. We make numerous errors that detract from meaning.

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	We show originality, and our work is interesting. We use language effectively and follow oral or written conventions appropriately with no errors.	some errors that do not detract from meaning.	conventions that detract from meaning.	
Performance and Presentation	We are organized and include an interesting introduction and conclusion.	We are organized.	We are somewhat unorganized.	We have no obvious organization or structure.
Publication	We show sophisticated tone, voice, and sense of audience. We use a variety of literary devices appropriately to create writing that is interesting and powerful.	We show appropriate tone, voice, and sense of audience. Our writing is interesting.	We attempt to show appropriate tone, voice, and sense of audience. Our writing is simple and somewhat interesting.	We fail to show appropriate tone, voice, and sense of audience. Our writing is predictable and confusing.