Blog Participation Rubric

Criterion	4	3	2	1-0
Communication of ideas	Thorough, honest, thoughtful communication of ideas	Communication of ideas is at grade level, idea is developed and communicated effectively	Communication of ideas is minimal, idea could use more development and communication be more clear	No significant contribution
Support of ideas	Used course material, historical or contemporary materials or other learning to support position	Some effort is made to support position with contemporary or historical course materials	Support is weak, does not reference either contemporary of historical materials	No significant contribution
Argumentation	Took a powerful definitive easily understood position. Unique or strong position of agreement or disagreement with others	Took an identifiable position. Took the position first or in agreement or disagreement with others.	Position is weak, waffling, simply agreeing or disagreeing with others	No significant contribution
Making connections	Made a strong connection between discussion and current events	Made a connection between discussion and current events	Little discussion of the connection between the discussion and current events	No significant contribution
Adding new information	Linked other sources of timely, insightful and appropriate online information to the blog (websites, news articles, videos etc)	Linked other sources of appropriate online information to the blog (websites, news articles, videos etc)	Acknowledged visiting others links but does not add their own.	No significant contribution