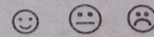


# Socratic Seminar Preparation Guide

## Building a Successful Community



Seminar Participation

**Directions:** Respond to the questions below. Support your ideas with **specific examples from “All Summer in a Day” and your life**. You can also use evidence from other texts you have read. Look back at the story if you need to.

**Central Question:** What responsibilities do people have to help everyone belong to a community?

Guiding Question	Textual Examples	Personal Examples
<p>Describe the classroom community in “All Summer in a Day”? (textual)</p> <p>Describe a community to which you belong (it could be a sports team, a classroom, your town, etc.). (personal)</p>		



In "All Summer in a Day" the kids at school make Margot an outcast. Why? (textual)

What causes a community to gang up on one of their members? (personal)

**Guiding Question**

**Textual Examples**

**Personal Examples**

Who is responsible for Margot getting locked in the closet and why? The teacher? The kids? Margot? Her parents? (textual)

Have you ever experienced being excluded or excluding another from a group? What happened? (personal)

How much are we to blame for other people excluding or being mean to others?

For example, bullying, rumor spreading, cliques, labeling, etc.?



How come we don't step in and help when we see people being excluded or treated poorly?

Is it possible for everyone to feel like they belong in a classroom?  
To a school? Why/Why not?