

## Sample Critical Thinking Discussion Prompts

Family and Consumer Sciences: *There are a variety of diet plans being promoted currently, and each has a unique set of positive and negative aspects. What do you believe to be the best choice? Use evidence from professional resources (e.g., research articles, etc.; not advertisements) to support your assertions. Then respond to at least one other post.*

Fine Arts: *Given the assigned artwork, describe whether you consider it to be a successful work of art. Justify your stance by discussing the literal, design, or expressive traits that would be considered from one of the three theoretical perspectives: imitationalism, formalism, or emotionalism. Then respond to at least one other post. How is another student's interpretation similar to or different from your own?*

World Literature: *What can be learned about Anglo-Saxon culture from Beowulf? Draw insights from the literature to support your claims. Then respond to at least one other post.*

Music: *How has the Internet changed the landscape of the recording industry for better or for worse? Think about how you access new music and learn about new artists? What role do you as a consumer play in the music industry?*

Business: *The company you work for is considering changing suppliers because an overseas source can provide products at a fraction of the cost of the domestic supplier. Take on the role of either supporting or opposing the change and use data and other factual evidence to support your position.*