



HOW TO WRITE A STRONG PEER RESPONSE IN DISCUSSION BOARDS

1. **Read thoroughly:** Make sure you fully understand your classmate's post before responding. Note their main points and any specific arguments they make.
2. **Acknowledge their ideas:** Start your response by recognizing their thoughts and ideas. You might say something like, "I appreciate your insights on [topic]."
3. **Expand on their ideas by making connections to course materials/research:** Use research or course materials to support or challenge your classmate's ideas. Doing so shows your interest in ongoing, constructive conversations.
4. **Address questions from your peers:** Be sure to address questions (when applicable) that your peers generated within their original post.
5. **Proofread:** Check for any typos or grammatical errors to maintain professionalism in your response.
6. **Follow Guidelines:** Adhere to any specific requirements from your instructor regarding length, formatting, and deadlines.