

Sample Socratic Seminar Reflection

Socratic Seminar and Essay Prompts:

- Who or what is to blame for Santiago's murder? Is any person or social institution more to blame for Santiago's murder than others?
- The narrator states that most of the townspeople thought that the main victim of the tragedy was Bayardo San Román. Do you agree with their conclusion? Why or why not? Who is the real victim of this tragedy?

1. What was your initial stance on this question before the discussion? Was your stance reinforced or changed during the discussion? If it changed, what did it change to?

Assimilation is more harmful to the characters; reinforced

2. If your stance was reinforced, what's a new reason and/or piece of evidence from the discussion that you might use in your essay?

Wolves spray their rooms to feel at home, but when it's cleaned up, they feel invisible, symbolizing the erasure of their identities.

3. If your stance changed, what reason and/or piece of evidence from the discussion influenced your thinking that you might incorporate in your essay?

N/A