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Period: _____.

Things Fall Apart Post Discussion Guide

The following ideas and concepts have all been conveyed and covered in the *Things Fall Apart*. Chinua Achebe commented on each one of the following ideas and concepts through the dialogue and action of each character in the book. Through actively reading and thinking about these ideas during the unit, hopefully you have understood the many themes and concepts presented in the literature that we read. This post discussion guide will help you further understand the concepts from the reading and hopefully help make them more applicable to our life.

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Directions: Use complete sentences to answer each question below in your own words. Give at least one reason or example to support your point. **First:** Think about and answer the questions on your own. Your answers should be directed toward the works that we read in the unit. **Second:** Once in your group discuss the answers that you have come up with. **Third:** Based on your group discussion elaborate on your original answers to the questions.

2 pnts

1. After reading *Things Fall Apart*, how do you feel about following traditions? Explain your answer.

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2. Are there any traditions that we follow in our society that you think should be changed or no longer followed? Explain your answer.

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3. What do you think Chinua Achebe was saying about how people should deal with change in their lives, town, and culture? Explain your answer.

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4. After reading *Things Fall Apart*, explain your idea of masculinity and femininity? Explain each answer.

4 pnts

5. Explain one of the ways that the Ibo gained social status in their society. Is the way the Ibo gain social status similar to our society's social status? Explain your answers.

4 pnts

6. After seeing how the Ibo define their culture, what are some of the ways we define our culture? **Explain and give specific examples.**

4 pnts

7. The Ibo definitely had some values and beliefs that are different than ours. How do you figure out what cultural values are the best? **Explain your answer.**

4 pnts

8. After reading *Things Fall Apart*, do you think people should be willing to adopt cultural values that are different than ones that they already follow? **Explain your answer.**

4 pnts

9. Explain why Nwoye converted to Christianity. Give a minimum of 2 examples to support your point.

10 pnts

10. Explain why you think Okonkwo killed himself at the end of the story. You must have a specific well thought out reason to support your answer. Make sure you elaborate. Your response should be at least 5 sentences.