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British Literature: *Hamlet* Act 5 Socratic Seminar

1. Entrance Ticket

• Brainstorm <u>3</u> Discussion Questions for Hamlet

2. Writing: Discussion Prep:

• Choose one of the questions below to answer in your **Writing Section**

3. Socratic Seminar

- Inner Circle will discuss the following
 - What is Shakespeare's Final message on each of our themes?
 - Poison, Corruption, Death
 - Religion, Honor, Revenge
 - Appearance vs. Reality
 - The Position of Women in Society
 - Action vs. Action
 - Why is the play considered a tragedy?
 - In what ways is Hamlet responsible, and in what ways is he a victim of circumstances?
 - What purpose, as a character, does Horatio serve in this drama? He initiates little or no action: what is he there for? Why do only Horatio and Fortinbras survive?
 - Who is responsible for casting this cloud of corruption over Elsinore and the events of the play? Is anyone?
 - Are there admirable characters throughout the play who show strength and resolve of the human spirit? Why do the majority of the characters highlight varying human weaknesses and frailties?
 - Your Questions
- Outer Circle will grade their partner on the Discussion Rubric

4. Self-Assessment:

- After the Discussion, write the following on the back of the rubric with your name on it
 - What you did well
 - What you want to work on

5. Exit Ticket:

- What is one thing you didn't get to say in the discussion?
- What is something someone said that interested you or made you think? Why?

Homework: Choose a theme to use in your essay! We will begin planning tomorrow!